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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 2018 ON PAGE 138]

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5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. EVERYBODY, PLEASE TAKE A
6 SEAT. OH, IT GETS QUIET WHEN THE MICS GO ON, DOESN'T IT?
7 WELCOME, AND GOOD MORNING TO EVERYONE HERE ASSEMBLED: ALL OF
8 OUR SUPERVISORS, OUR WONDERFUL STAFF, ALL THOSE WHO'VE COME TO
9 SPEAK TO US AND WITH US. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE FIRST REGULARLY
10 SCHEDULED MEETING OF 2018. WASN'T IT JUST 2000? I MEAN, THEY
11 GO BY VERY FAST. WE HAVE 80 PERCENT OF THE BOARD PRESENT, AND
12 I THINK THE SECOND DISTRICT IS ON HIS WAY, AS WELL AS OUR
13 C.E.O. I DON'T SEE ANYONE IN COUNTY COUNSEL SEAT. I THINK
14 THERE'S A LITTLE TRAFFIC. L.A. DOES NOT DO WELL WITH RAIN;
15 I'VE NOTICED THAT. OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SERGEANT-AT-ARMS,
16 ALL HERE TO ASSIST. LET US BEGIN WITH OUR INVOCATION, BEING
17 LED BY LIEUTENANT HECTOR ACOSTA, CORPS OFFICER SALVATION ARMY,
18 FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND THEN OUR PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY OUR
19 VERY OWN KIMBERLY HILL. PLEASE RISE, IF YOU CAN, FOR THE
20 INVOCATION.

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22 **LT. HECTOR ACOSTA:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. JOIN ME IN PRAYER.
23 FATHER, GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU FOR THE ABILITY TO BE
24 HERE, THE PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE, TO SERVE. MAY THE MEETING
25 TODAY SET THE PRECEDENCE FOR THE YEAR. MAY THE WEIGHT AND THE

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1 RESPONSIBILITY AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY BE CLEARLY AND
2 CONFIDENTLY EMBEDDED IN THE HEARTS AND THE MINDS OF THE
3 LEADERSHIP HERE TODAY. WOULD YOU HELP FOR THE LEADERSHIP TO
4 WALK AS A REFLECTION OF WHO YOU ARE, SEEKING JUSTICE, LOVING
5 MERCY, AND WALKING HUMBLY BEFORE YOU? AND BECAUSE OF THAT,
6 WOULD YOU GRANT UNPRECEDENTED GRACE AND FAVOR AND SUCCESS IN
7 THE EFFORTS, AS THEY MOVE FORWARD TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY; WOULD THE RESULTS OF THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
9 BE KNOWN AND HEARD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. AND, FATHER, IF I
10 FAIL TO BE CLEAR FOR AN EFFORT TOWARDS ELOQUENCE, THIS IS WHAT
11 I ASK TODAY: THAT YOUR KINGDOM COME AND THAT YOUR WILL BE DONE
12 IN THIS GREAT NATION; THAT YOUR KINGDOM COME AND YOUR WILL BE
13 DONE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA; THAT YOUR KINGDOM COME AND
14 YOUR WILL BE DONE, HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WOULD YOU
15 BEGIN IN THIS ROOM, AND WOULD YOU BEGIN WITH THIS LEADERSHIP
16 HERE TODAY? AND ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE IN AGREEMENT SAID, AMEN.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** AMEN.

19

20 **KIMBERLY HILL:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE FACE THE FLAG.
21 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART, AND JOIN ME IN THE
22 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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24 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. IT IS REALLY MY HONOR TO JOIN IN
2 WELCOMING AND THANKING LIEUTENANT HECTOR ACOSTA, FOR LEADING
3 US TODAY IN THE INVOCATION. LIEUTENANT ACOSTA HAS BEEN WORKING
4 IN THE MINISTRY OUTREACH FOR 20 YEARS. IN 2012, HE JOINED THE
5 SALVATION ARMY, WHERE HE HAS TOUCHED THE LIVES OF MANY
6 THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. AND I HAVE TO SAY THAT HE HAS BEEN
7 THE CHAMPION AND OUR PARTNER UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH
8 OUR HOMELESS SHELTER. AND IF NOT FOR HECTOR AND THE WORK OF
9 THE SALVATION ARMY, THERE WOULD BE MANY RIGHT NOW ON THE
10 STREETS UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WITHOUT A ROOF OVER THEIR
11 HEADS. SO I PERSONALLY WANT TO THANK YOU, NOT ONLY FOR LEADING
12 THE INVOCATION TODAY, BUT FOR THE ACTIONS THAT YOU DEMONSTRATE
13 ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS. AND SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORDS OF
14 WISDOM TODAY, AND WE WELCOME YOU HERE TO THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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19 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'M PLEASED TO THANK STAFF
20 SERGEANT KIMBERLY HILL FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE THIS
21 MORNING. SERGEANT HILL JOINED THE UNITED STATES ARMY IN 2003,
22 AND IS CURRENTLY ACTIVE. ONE OF HER CURRENT DUTIES IS BEING A
23 PRINT JOURNALIST FOR THE CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD. SHE WRITES
24 ARTICLES. SHE TAKES PHOTOS FOR THE CALIFORNIA ARMY NATIONAL
25 GUARD, DOCUMENTING THEIR MISSIONS, TRAINING, AND OTHER EVENTS,

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1 IN ORDER TO TELL THE SOLDIERS' STORY TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC.
2 SERGEANT HILL HAS RECEIVED THE MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION, THE
3 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, IRAQI CAMPAIGN MEDAL, AND THE
4 GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM MEDAL. SHE ALSO WORKS FOR OUR
5 DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AS A VETERAN
6 CLAIMS REPRESENTATIVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
7 COUNTRY, AND THANK YOU, AND WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE YOU LEADING
8 OUR PLEDGE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
11 PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

12

13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND
14 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3,
15 SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
16 OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 2-D, A MEMBER
17 OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 4,
18 THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY.
19 ON ITEMS 1-H, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
20 ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM 3-H, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE
21 HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO
22 THE DEPARTMENT, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
23 PAGE 6, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC WORKS
24 FINANCING AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 7, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 13. ON ITEM NO. 1, MEMBERS OF THE

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1 PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 2,
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT
3 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS
4 REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 4, SUPERVISOR
5 BARGER AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM
6 BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS
7 ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
8 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 8, A MEMBER
9 OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
10 NO. 13, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT HER VOTE BE RECORDED AS
11 ABSTAIN, AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
12 ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 14, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 14
13 THROUGH 50. ON ITEM NO. 14, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THIS
14 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 13TH, 2018, AS INDICATED ON THE
15 REGULAR AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 15, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
16 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 30TH, 2018. ON
17 ITEM NO. 16 AND 17, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT
18 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 18, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND
19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
20 ON ITEM NO. 20, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
21 ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT
22 HER VOTE BE RECORDED ABSTAIN, AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS
23 REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 24, THE ACTING
24 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE NOT
25 HELD; AND ITEM 24, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT

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1 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 26, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
2 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 30TH,
3 2018. ON ITEM 27, THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEMS 20 AND 52, AND
4 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD.
5 ON ITEM 36, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
6 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 38, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED
7 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 39, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
8 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 13TH, 2018,
9 AS INDICATED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 40, A MEMBER
10 OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND ON
11 ITEM NO. 42, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
12 ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 29, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS
13 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
14 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
15 AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 48-C, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED
16 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS, THROUGH 48-B, ARE
17 BEFORE YOU.

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19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE THOSE
20 REMAINING ITEMS FROM SUPERVISOR HAHN. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS. THESE ARE ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

22
23 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 30, ORDINANCES FOR
24 INTRODUCTION. I WILL READ IN THE SHORT TITLES FOR THE RECORD.
25 ON ITEM 51, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING

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1 COUNTY CODE TITLE 5, PERSONNEL, RELATING TO THE COUNTY
2 DEFERRED COMPENSATION THRIFT HORIZONS PLAN AND SAVINGS PLAN,
3 TO REVISE THE HORIZONS PLAN CORRECTIVE CONTRIBUTION PROTOCOLS
4 FOR CERTAIN SETTLEMENT AWARDS. ITEM 51 IS BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECONDED BY
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER. ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

8

9 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM 52 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
10 INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 6, SALARIES, BY ADDING
11 A NEW SECTION, CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES/PHYSICIAN
12 RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE, TO ESTABLISH RECRUITMENT AND PAY FOR
13 CERTAIN SENIOR PHYSICIANS AND PHYSICIAN SPECIALISTS, AND
14 ADDING A SECTION, PHYSICIAN STUDENT LOAN REIMBURSEMENT
15 INCENTIVE, TO PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN STUDENT LOAN
16 PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN SENIOR PHYSICIANS AND PHYSICIAN
17 SPECIALISTS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THIS
18 ITEM BE HELD. ITEM 53 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION
19 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 11, HEALTH AND SAFETY, AMENDING THE
20 CHAPTER REGARDING FLOODWAYS, WATER SURFACE ELEVATIONS, AND
21 AREAS OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARDS, BY REPEALING REVISIONS TO THE
22 SANTA CLARA RIVER FLOODWAY. ITEM 53 IS BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ITEM 53 IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER,
25 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 34, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM
3 PREVIOUS MEETINGS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE
4 BOARD. ON ITEM A-7, REGARDING IMMIGRATION POLICIES, SUPERVISOR
5 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES THE
6 READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
7 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3, AND PRESENTATIONS
8 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

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10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, I BELIEVE YOU'RE UP
11 FIRST.

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13 **SUP. BARGER:** I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SHIRLEY. SHIRLEY
14 IS A TERRIER THREE-MONTH-OLD, WHO IS LOOKING FOR A FOREVER
15 HOME. AND SHIRLEY CAN BE ADOPTED AT OUR DOWNEY ANIMAL SHELTER,
16 OR BY CALLING 562-728-4610. AND SHIRLEY IS JUST THE SWEETEST,
17 GENTLE DOG, AND IS A LITTLE BIT SCARED. BUT IF THERE'S SOMEONE
18 OUT THERE YOU KNOW THAT IS LOOKING FOR A COMPANION, SHIRLEY
19 WOULD BE AN IDEAL FRIEND. AND NOW WE HAVE HARLEY. HARLEY IS A
20 DOMESTIC SHORTHAIRED THREE-MONTH-OLD WHO, AGAIN, IS AVAILABLE
21 FOR ADOPTION AT THE DOWNEY SHELTER. YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610.
22 AND THERE ARE MANY MORE HARLEYS THAT ARE LOOKING FOR HOMES, SO
23 I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO EITHER GO ONLINE OR STOP BY ONE OF
24 OUR SHELTERS, OR EVEN L.A. CITY SHELTERS, TO LOOK AND SEE WHAT
25 IS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION. AND THAT IS ALL I HAVE.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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4 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND TODAY'S A WONDERFUL
5 OPPORTUNITY, AS WE COME BACK TO CELEBRATE A NEW YEAR, AND
6 REALLY HELP TO ADVANCE WHAT I THINK ALL OF THE BOARD MEMBERS
7 AND FOLKS THAT ARE ENGAGED IN HELPING TO PROMOTE OUR YOUNG
8 PEOPLE, IN TERMS OF PROVIDING MENTORSHIPS; SO VERY, VERY
9 IMPORTANT. AND I HAVE WITH ME THIS MORNING REPRESENTATIVES
10 FROM THE CATHOLIC BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS, THE EXECUTIVE
11 DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES TEAM MENTORING, AND ALSO THE EXECUTIVE
12 DIRECTOR AND REPRESENTATIVE FROM SPARK, WHO ARE JOINING ME
13 THIS MORNING. AND IT'S JUST AN HONOR TO BE ABLE TO MEET THEM,
14 AND KNOW OF THE HARD WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING EVERY SINGLE DAY
15 FOR OUR RESIDENTS IN L.A. COUNTY. WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF
16 THEM. AND I WANT TO UNDERSCORE THAT THIS MONTH IS NATIONAL
17 MENTORING MONTH. AND I WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
18 RECOGNIZE A FEW OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE HELPING US OUT:
19 THE CATHOLIC BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS, WHICH MANY OF YOU
20 KNOW WAS FOUNDED BACK IN 1925, AND IS A PART OF A NATIONAL BIG
21 BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS NETWORK. LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND
22 OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.] THEY'VE PLAYED A TREMENDOUS,
23 EXEMPLARY ROLE ON A BIG, NATIONAL SCALE. IN FACT, THEY WERE
24 HONORED, I BELIEVE, AT THE WHITE HOUSE, IN THE OVAL OFFICE, BY
25 THEN-PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, FOR THEIR WORK. THEY'VE ALSO

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1 PARTNERED WITH OUR L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, UNDER A
2 NEW NATIONAL INITIATIVE CALLED BIGS WITH BADGES; SOMETHING
3 REALLY CRITICAL. SO WE WANT TO ALSO RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT
4 OUR SHERIFFS ARE INVOLVED IN THIS, ALSO, TO PROMOTE
5 MENTORSHIP. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND
6 ALSO, LOS ANGELES TEAM MENTORING HAS BEEN PROVIDING MENTORING
7 PROGRAMS FOR OVER 25 YEARS. THEY WORK WITH MIDDLE-SCHOOL-AGE
8 YOUTH IN SOME OF THE MOST CHALLENGING COMMUNITIES IN THE
9 COUNTY. THEY BELIEVE THAT DEVELOPING MENTORING AND CREATING
10 THOSE RELATIONSHIPS AT AN EARLY AGE IS CRUCIAL FOR ALL OF US,
11 AND ESPECIALLY FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE, TO GIVE THEM HOPE,
12 INSPIRATION, AND A MOVEMENT FORWARD. SPARK ALSO BEGAN IN SAN
13 FRANCISCO-- THAT'S ANOTHER PROGRAM WE'RE HONORING-- IN 2004.
14 AND IN 2010, THEY LAUNCHED THEIR PROGRAM HERE IN LOS ANGELES.
15 WE ALWAYS WELCOME OUR FRIENDS FROM THE NORTH, RIGHT? THIS PAST
16 FALL SEMESTER, SPARK ENGAGED 98 MIDDLE-SCHOOL-AGED STUDENTS IN
17 WORKPLACE-BASED MENTORSHIPS. STUDENTS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO
18 IMMERSE THEMSELVES IN REAL WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENTS, AND GAIN
19 INVALUABLE EXPERIENCES. AND I THINK THAT REALLY SAYS A LOT,
20 GIVEN THAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE OFTENTIMES DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO
21 COMMUNICATE WITH FOLKS. THEY COMMUNICATE MORE WITH THEIR
22 APPLE, WITH THEIR IPAD, THAN THEY DO WITH EACH OTHER AND WITH
23 OTHERS. AND THAT, TO ME, IS SOMETHING THAT WE'RE LOSING SIGHT
24 OF. SO ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO HELP PROMOTE INTERACTION--
25 MENTORING, COACHING, ESPECIALLY ON-THE-JOB TRAINING-- IS SO

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1 ESSENTIAL FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. SO ALL OF THESE MENTORING
2 ORGANIZATIONS, LIKE SPARK, L.A. TEAM MENTORING, THE CATHOLIC
3 BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS, ARE CRITICAL TO THE DEVELOPMENT
4 OF OUR YOUTH, AND DESERVE THIS RECOGNITION, NOT JUST TODAY,
5 BUT THROUGHOUT THE MONTH AND AS WE MOVE FORWARD. I'D LIKE TO
6 NOW ASK EACH OF THE REPRESENTATIVES TO SPEAK, AND BRIEFLY GIVE
7 A BRIEF INTRODUCTION ABOUT THE PROGRAMS.

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9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND THE OTHER
10 SUPERVISORS, AND THE COMMUNITY. CATHOLIC BIG BROTHERS BIG
11 SISTERS IS A MENTORING ORGANIZATION, AND WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO
12 100 YEARS SERVING LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID,
13 WE'RE A PART OF A LARGER MOVEMENT OF BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS
14 OF AMERICA, 350 AGENCIES. BUT WE'RE ONE OF THE OLDEST. WE'VE
15 BEEN HERE SINCE 1925. AND WE SERVE BOYS AND GIRLS THROUGHOUT
16 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THROUGH A ONE-TO-ONE MENTORING
17 PROGRAM, WHERE WE PAIR CARING ADULTS WITH YOUTH FROM THE
18 COMMUNITY, OF ALL FAITHS AND BACKGROUNDS. AND WE'RE REALLY
19 EXCITED THAT WE ARE WORKING ON PARTNERSHIPS ON A NATIONAL
20 LEVEL, AND HERE ON A LOCAL LEVEL, WITH THE L.A. COUNTY
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND WE'VE FORMED A BIGS WITH BADGES
22 PROGRAM, WHICH IS PAIRING SWORN AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WITH
23 COMMUNITY YOUTH. AND WE'RE ALSO HAPPY TO EXPAND THE
24 OPPORTUNITY FOR MENTORING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS
25 ANGELES, FOR OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND WE HAVE TWO OF OUR

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1 COUNTY BIGS HERE: ONE FROM THE COUNTY LIBRARY, AND THAT IS BIG
2 SISTER KRISTI SAMUELSON; AND OUR L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF BIG
3 SISTER, BIGS WITH BADGES, ERIKA ZIUTI. AND THEN ALSO, FROM THE
4 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS BUREAU, WE HAVE SERGEANT VANESSA CHOW,
5 AND SHE'S REPRESENTING OUR PARTNERSHIP. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
6 THE RECOGNITION TODAY, AND WE HOPE ALL OF YOU GO OUT AND, IN
7 SOME WAY, ENGAGE WITH A YOUNG PERSON IN THE COMMUNITY, AND
8 MENTOR. IT'S GOOD FOR YOU. WE ALWAYS TALK ABOUT HOW GOOD IT IS
9 FOR THE KIDS, BUT IT'S REALLY GOOD FOR ALL OF US. KEEPS YOU
10 YOUNG. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **BETH TIGAY:** THANK YOU, L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M
13 BETH TIGAY. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SPARK IN L.A. SPARK
14 IS A NATIONAL ORGANIZATION THAT OFFERS MENTORSHIP
15 OPPORTUNITIES TO DIVERSE COMMUNITIES OF MIDDLE-SCHOOL
16 STUDENTS, THROUGH PARTNERING WITH COMPANIES IN THE AREA, WHO
17 THEN OFFER THEIR EMPLOYEES THE OPPORTUNITY TO MENTOR MIDDLE-
18 SCHOOL STUDENTS OVER A SEMESTER. THESE STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO GO
19 INTO THE WORKPLACE AND SEE WHAT IS POSSIBLE FOR THEIR FUTURES,
20 AND, THROUGHOUT SEVERAL WEEKS, FORM WONDERFUL BONDS, AND
21 REALLY EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF MENTORSHIP. SO I WANT TO THANK
22 AGAIN THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING
23 MENTORSHIP, AND WE REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW MENTORING
24 CAN FURTHER IMPACT THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.
25 [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SPEAKER:** ALL RIGHT, GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. SO ON BEHALF OF
3 THE 25,000 YOUTH WE'VE SERVED OVER THE 25 YEARS, AND THE 1300
4 YOUTH WE SERVE WEEKLY, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR THIS
5 HONOR. WE ARE SO HUMBLLED TO RECEIVE THIS RECOGNITION. AND
6 THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AS WELL. JUST TO GIVE YOU A
7 LITTLE BACKGROUND ON LOS ANGELES TEAM MENTORING, LOS ANGELES
8 TEAM MENTORING, ALSO KNOWN TO MY PRINCIPALS OUT THERE AS THE
9 TEAMWORKS PROGRAM, WAS BORN OUT OF THE L.A. RIOTS IN 1992. THE
10 VISION OF THE BOARD AT THAT TIME, AND STILL TODAY, WAS TO FIND
11 THE HIGHEST QUALITY MENTORS WE CAN, BY UTILIZING BOTH PUBLIC
12 AND PRIVATE ENTITIES TO HELP ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF L.A.'S MOST
13 VULNERABLE YOUTH. WE'RE A MIDDLE-SCHOOL-BASED MODEL LOCATED
14 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY, AND WE COULDN'T DO WHAT WE DO WITHOUT
15 THE SUPPORT OF L.A.U.S.D. WITH US TODAY WE HAVE TIM BOWER,
16 FROM L.A.U.S.D., AS WELL AS A FEW OF OUR PRINCIPALS,
17 REPRESENTING A THIRD OF THE SCHOOLS WE SERVE. SO THANK YOU,
18 DR. GARRETT, FROM BETHUNE MIDDLE SCHOOL. THANK YOU, PRINCIPAL
19 SAMUEL, FROM JOHNNIE COCHRAN MIDDLE SCHOOL. THANK YOU, MS.
20 PATTON, FROM PEARY MIDDLE SCHOOL. AND THANK YOU, PRINCIPAL
21 GARCHA, FROM PACOIMA MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND MS. MERCADO FROM
22 WILMINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL. AND OUR VISION AND PASSION WOULDN'T
23 BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT OUR 18 COMMITTED BOARD MEMBERS. AND THANK
24 YOU TO OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MARIA MELTON. SO, BOARD MEMBERS
25 JENNIFER ISHIGURO, YVETTE URBINA, AND STEVE SUGARMAN, THANK

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1 YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR L.A.'S KIDS. AND THANK YOU TO
2 EVERYONE HERE TODAY WHO'S SUPPORTING US. IN CLOSING, THANK
3 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR THIS AMAZING HONOR, AND THANK YOU
4 FOR BRINGING US TOGETHER TO PROMOTE THE POWER OF MENTORING.
5 MENTORING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, JUST DOESN'T CHANGE LIVES; IT
6 SAVES LIVES. AND YOU ARE TRULY ONE OF L.A.'S GREATEST ANGELS.
7 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, AND TO
12 OUR COLLEAGUES. WE DELIGHT IN THE OPPORTUNITY THIS MORNING TO
13 CONTINUE THE THEME OF MENTORING AND MENTORSHIP. AND WE WELCOME
14 TO OUR BOARDROOM TODAY, AND TO THE DAIS, THE ONE AND ONLY
15 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FALCONS YOUTH FOOTBALL AND CHEER
16 ORGANIZATION. THEY ARE IN THE HOUSE. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF
17 APPLAUSE, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.] WE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS SHINING
18 EXAMPLE OF SUCCESS BY THOSE WHO TAKE THE TIME TO WORK WITH OUR
19 YOUNG PEOPLE. IT'S WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM THAT WE RECOGNIZE
20 THIS EXCEPTIONAL ORGANIZATION, WHICH YOU WILL LEARN MORE ABOUT
21 MOMENTARILY, LED BY THE INIMITABLE KEITH JOHNSON. KEITH
22 JOHNSON IS IN THE HOUSE, AND WE DELIGHT IN THAT. THEIR MOTTO
23 IS THIS: "IT'S TIME TO TEACH NEW SCHOOLKIDS OLD-SCHOOL
24 VALUES." AND IT'S HIGHLY APPROPRIATE FOR THIS DAY AND AGE, AND
25 THEY HAVE MADE A POSITIVE, LASTING IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITIES.

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1 WE'RE PLEASED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM FOR THEIR RECENT 2017
2 PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE YOUTH FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP. AND LET
3 ME JUST ASK YOU TO TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SCREEN AND ENJOY
4 THIS SHORT VIDEO PRESENTATION, AND WE'LL PROCEED FROM THERE,
5 WITH OUR COMMENTS. THE SCREEN, PLEASE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** ARE YOU READY?

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9 **SPEAKERS:** READY!

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11 **SPEAKER:** ARE YOU READY?

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13 **SPEAKERS:** READY!

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15 **SPEAKER:** READY, BEGIN!

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17 **SPEAKER:** THERE ARE REALLY NOT ENOUGH POSITIVE ROLE MODELS
18 INVESTED IN THE LIVES OF OUR KIDS. I'M A FORMER FOSTER CHILD.
19 I WAS RAISED IN THE SYSTEM. I EVENTUALLY WENT TO LIVE WITH MY
20 GRANDPARENTS, BUT I KNOW THE ABSENCE OF NOT HAVING A POSITIVE
21 ROLE MODEL IN YOUR LIFE. MY FATHER TAUGHT ME A LOT OF THINGS
22 BY NOT BEING THERE. HE TAUGHT ME HOW TO BE THERE FOR MY KIDS.
23 BUT I ALSO MADE A VERY IMPORTANT DECISION: THAT NOT ONLY WOULD
24 I BE THERE TO INVEST IN THE LIFE OF MY SON, I WOULD BE THERE
25 TO INVEST IN THE LIVES OF ALL KIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY, BECAUSE

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1 EVERYBODY NEEDS TO KNOW THAT SOMEBODY LOVES THEM AND SOMEBODY
2 CARES, AND WE'VE BUILT OUR PROGRAM AROUND THAT.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** SOME THINGS IN LIFE YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT TWICE TO
5 UNDERSTAND WHAT IT'S REALLY LIKE.

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7 **SPEAKER:** FOOTBALL IS SECOND TO HIM. FIRST TO HIM IS ACADEMICS.

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9 **SPEAKER:** COACH KEITH HAS BEEN A FACTOR IN MY LIFE, EVER SINCE
10 I STARTED ON HIS FOOTBALL TEAM.

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12 **SPEAKER:** WHO ARE WE?

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14 **SPEAKERS:** FALCONS!

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16 **SPEAKER:** ALL THE TECHNIQUES THAT HE'S TEACHING ME TO HELP ME
17 BUILD MY SPEED, STRENGTH, AND FOOTBALL I.Q. ABOUT ANYTHING ON
18 THE FIELD OR OFF THE FIELD.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** WHAT ARE WE?

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22 **SPEAKERS:** CHAMPIONS!

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24 **SPEAKER:** SAY, FOR INSTANCE, LIKE YOU'RE PLAYING A VIDEO GAME,
25 AND YOU CAN'T PASS A LEVEL, AND YOU NEVER COULD THINK THAT YOU

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1 CAN DO IT. FOOTBALL IS LIKE THAT, BECAUSE THAT'S HOW I FELT
2 WHEN I NEVER MADE IT TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR CAME OUT, TOOK A LOOK AT US, TOOK A LOOK
5 AT OUR KIDS, TOOK A LOOK AT OUR PARENTS. WE'VE MADE AN IMPACT
6 IN OUR COMMUNITY, BECAUSE OF THE KINDNESS OF OUR SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR TEACHING ME ALL THE VALUES OF LIFE, AND
9 GIVING ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN. I HAVE NO
10 WORDS.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** TAKE A GROUP OF BOYS, SOME WHO HAVE NO FOOTBALL
13 EXPERIENCE AT ALL, TO LOVE THEM UP, AND TO COACH THEM UP, AND
14 TO WIN A CHAMPIONSHIP WITHOUT NECESSARILY PUTTING THE ALL-STAR
15 TEAM TOGETHER, IT'S UNBELIEVABLE, AND WE'RE ECSTATIC ABOUT
16 THAT. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S WONDERFUL. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE
19 VIDEO, THE FALCONS ARE ABOUT MORE THAN JUST WINNING A FOOTBALL
20 GAME, OR AN ORGANIZATION THAT FOCUSES ON FOOTBALL; THEY
21 DEVELOP CHARACTER. AND THROUGH THEIR PARENT ORGANIZATION,
22 FALCONS YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES, THEIR UNIQUE APPROACH TO
23 DEVELOPING AND NURTURING YOUNG PEOPLE IS UNMATCHED. FOR
24 EXAMPLE, THEIR PROGRAM CAMP HOPE IS ABOUT HELPING THE OBESITY
25 PROBLEM END. AND IT PROVIDES HEALTHY EATING AND WELLNESS

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1 EDUCATION, AS WELL AS PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAMS FOR THE ENTIRE
2 FAMILY. THE APPROACH THEY TAKE TO ONGOING MENTORING AND
3 HOMEWORK ASSISTANCE LENDS ITSELF TO TRUE INNOVATION. FOR
4 EXAMPLE, BY MONITORING ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND MAKING
5 AVAILABLE THEIR CUSTOMIZED CLASSROOM-- THAT IS, A 20-FOOT
6 MOBILE HOMEWORK TRAILER-- THEY ENSURE INCREASED CONSISTENT
7 ATTENDANCE AND IMPROVED ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE. ONE OF THE
8 QUINTESSENTIAL ASPECTS OF THEIR SUCCESS IS ENSURING EVERY
9 CHILD HAS A WARM MEAL. AND THROUGH THEIR SOCIAL ENTERPRISE, IN
10 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
11 THEY PROVIDE OVER 20,000 MEALS ANNUALLY TO CHILDREN THROUGHOUT
12 SOUTH LOS ANGELES. AND THEIR SUCCESSES GO ON, AND THEY HAVE
13 MANY AWARDS TO EVIDENCE THAT: FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE
14 DAME, O'LEARY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE; THE
15 BEST OF THE BEST COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD; 2012 RECIPIENT OF
16 THE N.F.L. YOUTH SUMMIT, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION. AND THE
17 RECOGNITION DOESN'T STOP THERE. THEY HAVE BEEN FEATURED
18 LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY ON K.N.B.C. NEWS, K.T.T.B. GOOD DAY
19 L.A., H.B.O. REAL SPORTS, AND THE RACHAEL RAY SHOW. SO I'M
20 HONORED TO PRESENT THEM WITH THIS COUNTY SCROLL IN RECOGNITION
21 FOR THEIR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO DEVELOP OUR LEADERS FOR
22 TODAY AND TOMORROW. AND EACH OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IS MORE
23 THAN A WINNER ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD, AND CHAMPIONS IN THAT
24 REGARD; WE SET THEM ON A COURSE TO BE CHAMPIONS IN LIFE. GIVE
25 THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] I'D LIKE

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1 TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR HEAD COACH, DUWON REDMAN. MR. REDMAN, WHY
2 DON'T YOU COME FORWARD AND RECEIVE YOUR PRESENTATION? DUWON
3 REDMAN. GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? THANK YOU.
4 [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT, YOU JUST STAY RIGHT THERE. AND THEN WE
5 ACKNOWLEDGE THE ASSISTANT HEAD COACH, WON'T YOU? HE'S HERE,
6 AND THAT IS SIDNEY MACFARLAND. SIDNEY, COME FORWARD.
7 [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN, FINALLY, A YOUNG MAN WHO I MET ON
8 2007/2008, WHILE EXPLORING WHAT IT MEANT TO BUILD CHARACTER
9 AND INVEST IN YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY. IT WAS ON THE
10 CAMPAIGN TRAIL THAT I FOUND MYSELF AT A PARK, JUST ENTHRALLED
11 BY THE LEVEL OF ENERGY AND INVESTMENT THAT WAS BEING MADE. AND
12 THE PARENTS WERE THERE. THE COACHES WERE THERE. THE YOUNG
13 PEOPLE WERE THERE. THEY WERE ALL THERE TRYING TO SAY THAT WE
14 CAN DO SOMETHING TO HELP TRANSFORM OUR LIVES, AND INDEED THE
15 COMMUNITY OF WHICH WE ARE A PART. DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HIM
16 THEN, BUT HAVE COME TO LEARN A LOT ABOUT HIM. HE HAS DRIVE. HE
17 HAS DETERMINATION. HE DESERVES OUR ADMIRATION, OUR RESPECT,
18 OUR SUPPORT. PLEASE WELCOME TO OUR MICROPHONE MR. KEITH
19 JOHNSON. KEITH? [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **KEITH JOHNSON:** THANK YOU, EVERYONE. THANK YOU, BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. IT IS
23 OFTEN SAID THAT THE MAYOR IS CONSIDERED THE HEARTBEAT OF A
24 CITY. IF THAT IS THE CASE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS THE
25 LIFEBLOOD OF OUR COUNTY. AND SO I WANT TO COLLECTIVELY SAY

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1 THANK YOU TO EACH AND EVERY SUPERVISOR FOR THE WORK THAT YOU
2 DO, TO MAKE SURE THAT SYSTEMS ARE IN PLACE FOR ALL OF THE
3 PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. 2007/2008, WE
4 WERE JUST A YOUNG FOOTBALL PROGRAM THAT HAD A DREAM TO DO
5 SOMETHING SPECIAL. THE LAST THING THE CITY NEEDED WAS ANOTHER
6 FOOTBALL PROGRAM. WHAT THE CITY REALLY NEEDED WAS A PLACE
7 WHERE KIDS COULD LEARN TO UNDERSTAND WHO THEY ARE, AND WHAT
8 THEY CAN BECOME. OUR MOTTO WAS, "IT'S TIME TO TEACH NEW
9 SCHOOLKIDS OLD-SCHOOL VALUES," VALUES THAT SEEM NO LONGER TO
10 BE TAUGHT BY OUR PARENTS TO THEIR CHILDREN: NEVER GET TOO BUSY
11 FOR GOD; BABY, GET A GOOD EDUCATION; RESPECT YOUR ELDERS AT
12 ALL TIMES; STAY OUT OF GROWN FOLKS' CONVERSATION; KEEP YOUR
13 HANDS TO YOURSELF, WHICH NOT ONLY WAS A MESSAGE OF
14 NONVIOLENCE-- DON'T HIT-- BUT ALSO A MESSAGE OF INTEGRITY:
15 DON'T STEAL. IT ALSO IS A MESSAGE OF PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.
16 IF YOU CAN'T TAKE CARE OF A BABY, DON'T MAKE A BABY; KEEP YOUR
17 HANDS TO YOURSELF. SOMEHOW WE'VE GOTTEN AWAY FROM THOSE
18 VALUES, AND AS A RESULT, WE SEEM TO HAVE LOST OUR CHILDREN.
19 WHAT WE COULD NOT DO IS OPEN UP A BUILDING AND TELL PEOPLE TO
20 COME BRING THEIR KIDS, AND LET US TEACH THEM INSIDE OF FOUR
21 WALLS. WE HAD TO HAVE SOMETHING WHERE WE CAN USE OUR SOCIAL
22 CAPITAL TO IMPACT THEIR LIVES. WE CHOSE THE SPORT OF FOOTBALL.
23 I DID NOT DO THIS ALONE. A GENTLEMAN THAT WAS RUNNING FOR
24 OFFICE, FOR THE SUPERVISOR OF SECOND DISTRICT, CAME TO OUR
25 PARK. AND BEFORE HE LEFT, HE SIMPLY SAID THIS: "I DO NOT KNOW

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1 WHETHER I'LL WIN OR NOT, BUT I DO KNOW THIS: I WILL ALWAYS
2 SUPPORT YOU, BECAUSE YOU'RE DOING REAL WORK WITH REAL PEOPLE."
3 AND HIS SUPPORT HAS ALLOWED US TO CATAPULT TO THE PLACE WHERE
4 WE'RE MENTORING NOT ONLY OUR OWN CHILDREN, BUT WE'RE ALSO
5 MENTORING OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO DO THE WORK THAT WE DO. A
6 MESSENGER IS NO GOOD IF HE KEEPS THE MESSAGE TO HIMSELF. SO
7 OUR JOB IS NOT ONLY TO IMPACT OUR KIDS, BUT ANYONE ELSE THAT
8 WANTS TO LEARN WHAT WE DO, SO THEY CAN ALSO IMPACT THE LIVES
9 OF OTHERS. AGAIN, MY GRATITUDE TO YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR TAKING
10 A RISK, BECAUSE YOU DID NOT KNOW US; AND THAT WE DID NOT LET
11 YOU DOWN, BUT WE HAVE PERFORMED WELL. SO I SAID A FEW MONTHS
12 AGO, ONE OF OUR MENTEES, CAYLIN MOORE, 2017 RHODES SCHOLAR,
13 STOOD AT THIS VERY PODIUM TO ALSO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE WORK
14 THAT YOU'RE DOING. SO ON BEHALF OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
15 FALCONS, ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN THROUGHOUT THIS CITY, ON BEHALF
16 OF THE LIVES THAT YOU HAVE NO IDEA THAT YOU'VE TOUCHED, THANK
17 YOU SO MUCH FOR SUPPORTING US AND BEING A BACKBONE TO OUR
18 ORGANIZATION. THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I CALL THAT REAL WORK. COLLEAGUES, WHY
21 DON'T YOU JOIN ME AS WE TAKE A PHOTO WITH THE FALCONS? GIVE
22 THEM ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] WELL, THE
23 THEME IS MENTORING. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THERE IS NO BETTER
24 EXAMPLE OF AN EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL LEADER AND MENTOR. SHE
25 IS THE ONE AND ONLY DR. MILDRED GARCIA. GIVE HER A BIG ROUND

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1 OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] I'M PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE
2 HER. WE MET EARLY ON, AS SHE WAS THE LEADER-- THE EDUCATIONAL
3 LEADER, THAT IS-- AT CAL STATE DOMINGUEZ HILLS. WE DEVELOPED A
4 RELATIONSHIP, AND THAT RELATIONSHIP ENDURES TO THIS VERY
5 MOMENT. SHE RECENTLY ENDED HER SIX-YEAR TENURE AS PRESIDENT OF
6 CAL STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON, AFTER HAVING LEFT DOMINGUEZ
7 HILLS. BUT THAT'S WHAT STARS DO: THEY KEEP RISING. AND HER
8 IMPRESSIVE TRACK RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND FIRSTS HIGHLIGHTS
9 HER INGENUITY AND EMPHASIS ON CREATING ENVIRONMENTS THAT
10 FOSTER STUDENT SUCCESS, ENHANCING AND BROADENING EFFECTIVE
11 PROGRAMS, INCREASING SCHOOL VISIBILITY, AND CULTIVATING DONOR
12 RELATIONS. SHE DOES ALL OF THAT, AND THEN SOME; AND, UNDER HER
13 LEADERSHIP AT CAL STATE FULLERTON, BECAME KNOWN AS ONE IN
14 CALIFORNIA, AND SECOND IN THE NATION, IN AWARDING BACHELOR'S
15 DEGREES TO LATINOS, AS WELL AS SIXTH IN THE NATION IN
16 GRADUATING STUDENTS OF COLOR. AND WHILE CONSISTENTLY NAMED A
17 TOP UNIVERSITY IN THE WESTERN REGION, FULLERTON INCREASED ITS
18 VISIBILITY WHEN IT WAS RECOGNIZED AS A TOP NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
19 IN 2016, BY U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN
20 THE UNIVERSITY'S HISTORY. AND SO DR. MILDRED GARCIA LEFT AN
21 INDELIBLE FOOTPRINT AT DOMINGUEZ, WHERE, PRIOR TO HER TENURE,
22 AS I SAID, AT FULLERTON, SHE SERVED AS THE UNIVERSITY'S
23 PRESIDENT, AND THE FIRST LATINA TO HOLD OFFICE OF PRESIDENT IN
24 THE C.S.U. SYSTEM; THE FIRST LATINA TO HOLD THAT DISTINCTION.
25 AND WHILE THERE, SHE ELIMINATED A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT OF SOME

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1 CONSEQUENCE, INCREASED THE DONOR BASE, AND THEN INCREASED
2 RETENTION RATES FOR FIRST-TIME, FULL-TIME STUDENTS. AND THESE
3 ARE ALL MARKS OF A LEADER: A STRONG MANAGER, A STRONG
4 INNOVATOR, A STRONG PEDAGOGICAL LEADER. AND PRIOR TO HER
5 ARRIVAL IN THE C.S.U. SYSTEM, SHE HELD BOTH ACADEMIC AND
6 SENIOR-LEVEL POSITIONS AT VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES ACROSS THE
7 NATION. GIVEN HER EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS,
8 SHE'S HIGHLY SOUGHT-AFTER AS A SPEAKER, AS YOU CAN IMAGINE.
9 WHEN WE FIRST WENT TO WORK TO REESTABLISH CHARLES R. DREW
10 UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE, THE BOARD OF COUNSELORS
11 THERE, WE INVITED THE ONE AND ONLY MILDRED GARCIA, BECAUSE WE
12 KNEW SHE WOULD ADD VALUE TO THEIR PROPOSITION. AND ALL OF US
13 CELEBRATE THE FACT THAT DREW IS DOING AS WELL AS IT IS DOING
14 NOW, WITH TWO NEW RESIDENCY PROGRAMS, AND MORE. AND THAT'S NO
15 SMALL ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR THAT INSTITUTION. SHE SERVES ON A
16 VARIETY OF LOCAL AND NATIONAL BOARDS, AND WAS APPOINTED BY
17 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA TO SERVE ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY
18 COMMISSION ON EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR HISPANICS. HER
19 TRANSFORMATIVE PRESENCE WILL BE MISSED HERE IN SOUTHERN
20 CALIFORNIA, AS SHE TRANSITIONS THIS MONTH TO THE NATION'S
21 CAPITAL, TO BECOME THE PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
22 OF STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES: YOU SHOULD KNOW, A
23 NATIONAL ADVOCACY COALITION OF SOME 420 UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE
24 SYSTEMS. AND SO WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND TO
25 CELEBRATE DR. MILDRED GARCIA FOR HER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND

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1 LEADERSHIP IN THE ACADEMIC ARENA, AS A CULTURAL ADVOCATE, AS
2 ONE WHO UNDERSTANDS WHAT IT MEANS TO ELEVATE THE QUALITY OF
3 LIFE FOR COMMUNITIES OF WHICH SHE IS A PART, AND BEYOND.
4 PLEASE PUT YOUR HANDS TOGETHER FOR OUR FRIEND MILDRED GARCIA.
5 [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **DR. MILDRED GARCIA:** WHAT AN AMAZING HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO BE
8 RECOGNIZED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THE REST OF
9 THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS. THANK YOU SO VERY, VERY MUCH. I HAVE
10 BEEN IN CALIFORNIA ALMOST 11 YEARS, AND I HAVE BEEN THERE
11 WORKING FOR THE CITIZENS OF CALIFORNIA, IN THE LARGEST SYSTEM
12 IN THE COUNTRY. AND I HAVE BEEN HONORED TO SERVE THOSE
13 STUDENTS. WE HAVE REALLY MADE COMPLETE DIFFERENCES IN THEIR
14 LIVES. LAST YEAR ALONE, CAL STATE FULLERTON GRADUATED 11,000
15 STUDENTS, WHO STAY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WHO WORK IN
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THEY ARE THE PEOPLE WHO WILL LIFT OUR
17 COUNTRY. AND I LEAVE CALIFORNIA ONLY BECAUSE I AM GOING TO
18 WORK FOR ALL STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHO REALLY SERVE
19 THE CITIZENS OF OUR STATE, LIKE C.S.U. AND YOU WILL BE SURE
20 THAT I WILL ADVOCATE FOR THIS STATE, BECAUSE THE C.S.U. IS THE
21 UNIVERSITY THAT EDUCATES THE CITIZENS OF CALIFORNIA, GRADUATES
22 THEM, AND LIFTS OUR STATE AND NATION. SO LET'S CONTINUE TO DO
23 THE GOOD WORK. THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
24 COMMITMENT TO HIGHER EDUCATION, AND TO THE CITIZENS OF
25 CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATIONS FOR TODAY.
3 WE'LL MOVE TO OUR REGULAR AGENDA. AND I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR
4 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT, PLEASE.

5

6 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE
7 HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT
9 WILL NOW BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO
10 ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF
11 THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
12 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
13 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
14 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
15 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
16 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
17 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
18 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
19 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
20 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
21 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
22 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM
23 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
24 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE
25 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY

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1 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
2 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND
3 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
4 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
5 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
6 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR
7 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO
8 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY
9 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
10 COOPERATION.

11
12 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL MOVE TO ITEMS THAT WERE
13 HELD BY SUPERVISORS. THERE ARE FIVE, THOUGH THE FIFTH ONE WILL
14 BE TAKEN UP AT THE END. SO WE'LL BE HEARING ITEM 2, THEN 4,
15 THEN 6, THEN 18. SO LET US BEGIN WITH ITEM 2. I AM VERY, VERY
16 PROUD TO PRESENT THIS ITEM, AND THANK MY CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR
17 SOLIS. THIS IS AN ITEM THAT CALLS ON FIVE OF OUR DEPARTMENTS
18 IN THE COUNTY TO PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO A POPULATION OF
19 YOUNG PEOPLE WHO DO RECEIVE SOME ATTENTION IN THESE
20 DEPARTMENTS, BUT NOT REALLY IN SO MUCH OF A COORDINATED WAY.
21 AND WE FELT THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND, FROM THEIR
22 POINT OF VIEW, FROM ADVOCATES' POINT OF VIEW, AND FROM OUR
23 DEPARTMENTS' POINT OF VIEW, THE THINGS THAT WE CAN DO BETTER.
24 IT CALLS FOR A REPORT-BACK IN THREE MONTHS ON WHAT WE'RE
25 DOING, WHAT WE MIGHT DO BETTER, WHAT BEST PRACTICES REFLECT,

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1 IF WE HAVE ANY OUTCOME MEASUREMENTS, AND A NUMBER OF OTHER
2 THINGS REFLECTED IN THE MOTION. I WANT TO SAY THIS IS AN ITEM
3 VERY IMPORTANT TO ME, PERSONALLY. THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO
4 IDENTIFY AS L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH HAVE A DIFFICULT PATH, OFTEN, IN
5 LIFE; NOT ALWAYS, BECAUSE SOMETIMES THERE ARE LOVING FAMILIES,
6 SOMETIMES THERE ARE LOVING ADOPTIVE AND FOSTER FAMILIES, AND,
7 AS IN MANY OF OUR CASES, CHOSEN FAMILIES OF FRIENDS AND OTHER
8 PEOPLE'S PARENTS, WHO WE TURN TO FOR HELP AND FOR GUIDANCE.
9 BUT A STUDY BY THE WILLIAMS INSTITUTE, A FEW YEARS AGO-- IT'S
10 AN INSTITUTE AT THE U.C.L.A. LAW SCHOOL-- UNEARTHED A NUMBER
11 OF VERY SURPRISING FACTS, WHICH I GUESS SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN
12 SURPRISING. THE ONE THAT STOOD OUT FOR ME IS THAT 20 PERCENT
13 OF ALL OF THE KIDS IN FOSTER CARE IN L.A. COUNTY IDENTIFY AS
14 L.G.B.T.Q. IDENTIFY; THAT MEANS, HAVE SAID SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
15 AND THERE COULD BE MANY MORE. THAT IS A MUCH HIGHER PERCENTAGE
16 THAN OUR REPRESENTATION IN THE GENERAL PUBLIC, NO MATTER HOW
17 YOU MEASURE IT. SO IT WAS REALLY INCUMBENT ON US TO TAKE A
18 HARD LOOK AT OURSELVES, AT HOW WE ARE DEALING WITH, HOW WE ARE
19 LISTENING TO, HOW WE ARE HELPING, SUPPORTING, AND NURTURING,
20 REALLY, THIS TRULY VULNERABLE GROUP IN D.C.F.S., IN PROBATION,
21 IN OUR VARIOUS HEALTH AGENCIES. SO I WANT TO SEE IF MY CO-
22 AUTHOR, HILDA SOLIS, WISHES TO SAY SOMETHING, AND THEN WE HAVE
23 A NUMBER OF PRESENTERS WHO HAVE BEEN INVITED BY SUPERVISOR
24 SOLIS AND MYSELF, WHO WILL BE CALLED UP, AND EACH GIVEN THREE
25 MINUTES TO PRESENT, THOUGH THEY DON'T HAVE TO TAKE ALL OF

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1 THAT. AND AFTER THAT, WE'LL CALL UP THE FOLKS WHO SIGNED UP
2 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ISSUE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOR ASKING
5 ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS VERY IMPORTANT MOTION, SOMETHING THAT WE
6 ALL HOLD VERY DEAR TO OUR HEARTS, AND ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF
7 RECENT STATISTICS THAT HAVE ALSO PRESENTED THEMSELVES, WITH
8 RESPECT TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION. ONE OF THE LARGEST
9 INCREASES HAS BEEN WITH OUR YOUNG L.G.B.T.Q. COMMUNITY. AND
10 THAT ALSO BEGS A QUESTION FOR US TO DO MORE. SO I'M HAPPY TO
11 JOIN YOU AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HELP SHOW HOW
12 IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO WORK TOGETHER TO HELP THESE YOUNG
13 PEOPLE FACE DOWN DISCRIMINATION, BULLYING, VIOLENCE, AND
14 IGNORANCE THAT PEOPLE HAVE ABOUT THEIR LIFESTYLES. IN FACT,
15 JUST TODAY, THE LOS ANGELES DAILY NEWS JUST HIGHLIGHTED THIS
16 ISSUE IN THEIR PUBLICATION, NOTING THAT L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH FACE
17 INCREASED ODDS OF HOMELESSNESS, HIGHLIGHTING A YOUNG WOMAN
18 FROM FOSTER CARE, NAMED ALICIA. L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH ENTER THE
19 FOSTER CARE SYSTEM FOR MANY OF THE SAME REASONS AS NON-
20 L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH IN CARE. THEY EXPERIENCE ABUSE, NEGLECT,
21 PARENTAL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE. HOWEVER, MANY L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH
22 HAVE THE ADDED LAYER OF TRAUMA THAT COMES FROM BEING REJECTED
23 OR MISTREATED, MISUNDERSTOOD BECAUSE OF THEIR SEXUAL
24 ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, AND GENDER EXPRESSION. THIS IS A
25 PROBLEM THAT IS NATIONWIDE, AND SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO

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1 COMMIT OURSELVES TO, TO HELP COMBAT. TODAY'S MOTION, AS YOU
2 SEE IT, WILL ENSURE THE DELIVERY OF MORE SENSITIVE AND
3 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO THIS VERY VULNERABLE POPULATION, WHO
4 DESERVE AND NEED AFFIRMING CARE TO HELP THEM THRIVE. I WANT TO
5 THANK THE DEPARTMENTS FOR JOINING US, AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO
6 SALUTE SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR ALWAYS SHINING A LIGHT ON THOSE
7 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS THAT NEED OUR HELP AND HEALING. THANK
8 YOU SO MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAM EXECUTIVE
11 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL UP OUR PRESENTERS.

12

13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING PRESENTERS
14 PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, AND STAFF WILL
15 DIRECT YOU TO THE SPEAKERS' WELL: DR. KHUSH COOPER, TIMOTHY
16 VALLEZ, JAMIE CANTOR, DAYVON WILLIAMS. PLEASE COME FORWARD,
17 JOSH ARGUELLEZ, DOMINIQUE ROSS, JULIE MCCORMICK, AND JUAN
18 CASTILLO-ALVARADO.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE.
21 WE'LL START WITH DR. COOPER.

22

23 **DR. KHUSH COOPER:** GOOD MORNING.

24

25 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

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1

2 **DR. KHUSH COOPER:** AND THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK
3 TODAY. IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE STANDING IN FRONT OF YOU. MY
4 NAME IS DR. KHUSH COOPER, AND I'M THE CO-AUTHOR OF THE L.A.
5 L.G.B.T.Q. PREPAREDNESS SCAN. MY FIRM, KHUSH COOPER &
6 ASSOCIATES, AND DR. BIANCA WILSON AT THE U.C.L.A. WILLIAMS
7 INSTITUTE, DEVELOPED THE STUDY AND THE REPORT. I WOULD LIKE TO
8 START BY COMMENDING THIS BOARD FOR HAVING COMMISSIONED THIS
9 SCAN. IT IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND, AND WAS A GREAT ACT OF
10 COURAGE ON YOUR PART. IT SETS A HIGH BAR FOR THE REST OF THE
11 NATION, AND I ASSURE YOU THE NATION IS WATCHING. IT ALSO SENDS
12 A MESSAGE TO THE YOUTH AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM THAT THEY
13 MATTER. WHEN FAMILIES BREAK DOWN, SYSTEMS HAVE TO TAKE OVER,
14 SOME OF WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN EQUIPPED TO SERVE L.G.B.T.Q.
15 YOUTH AND THEIR BROKEN FAMILIES. L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH SPEND TWICE
16 AS MUCH TIME IN FOSTER CARE AS THEIR NON-L.G.B.T.Q.
17 COUNTERPARTS, AND THEY AGE OUT AT HIGHER RATES, ALSO-- OUT ON
18 THEIR OWN AT AGE 18. AGING OUT OF FOSTER CARE ITSELF IS
19 ASSOCIATED WITH HIGHER RATES OF HOMELESSNESS, INCARCERATION,
20 AND UNEMPLOYMENT, AND YOU ADD STIGMA AND REJECTION TO THAT,
21 AND THE OUTCOMES GET EXPONENTIALLY WORSE. TO SUPPORT THE
22 R.I.S.E. GRANT SUBMISSION IN 2010, THE COUNTY PULLED A LIST OF
23 ALL THE CHILDREN WHO HAD LIVED IN THE GROUP HOMES OF THE GAY
24 AND LESBIAN ADOLESCENT SOCIAL SERVICES, KNOWN AS G.L.A.S.S.,
25 FROM 1998 TO 2008, SO WE COULD SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THEIR

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1 OUTCOMES. I KNEW MOST OF THOSE 400 CHILDREN WHEN I WORKED AT
2 THE G.L.A.S.S. GROUP HOME IN MY YOUNGER DAYS. THE YOUTH WERE
3 THERE AS A LAST RESORT. THEY WERE DEEMED UNADOPTABLE, AND THEY
4 WERE HEADED FOR TRANSITIONAL LIVING, AT BEST. WHEN WE STUDIED
5 THE G.L.A.S.S. COHORT, WE ALSO FOUND THAT THE G.L.A.S.S. YOUTH
6 EXPERIENCED MORE PLACEMENTS, ON AVERAGE, THAN THEIR NON-
7 L.G.B.T.Q. COUNTERPARTS IN THE CARE OF D.C.F.S. THERE WAS A
8 HIGH PREVALENCE OF MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE NEEDS.
9 OVER 60 PERCENT HAD BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE JUVENILE JUSTICE
10 SYSTEM, MOSTLY FOR CRIMES ASSOCIATED WITH BEING ON THE
11 STREETS: PETTY THEFT, SURVIVAL SEX WORK. AND THIS IS REALLY
12 INTERESTING: TODDLERS INITIALLY PLACED WITH KIN ENDED UP
13 HAVING THE LONGEST DAYS IN FOSTER CARE, AND THEY ENDED UP AT
14 G.L.A.S.S. SOMETHING WAS HAPPENING WHEN THEY CAME OUT TO THEIR
15 RELATIVES. THESE OUTCOMES HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY MANY
16 RESEARCHERS, AND L.A. COUNTY'S NOT ALONE. THE 1-IN-5 NUMBER IS
17 POPPING UP IN OTHER PLACES. WHAT IS DIFFERENT IN LOS ANGELES
18 IS THAT WE DID NOT LOOK AWAY. WE LOOKED FURTHER, WITH ACADEMIC
19 RIGOR, AND WE HAVE SYSTEMATICALLY AND FRANKLY EXAMINED OUR
20 GAPS. SO, WHAT SHOULD WE DO? FIRST, WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW
21 WE CAN BETTER IDENTIFY AND SERVE L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH WHO HAVE
22 UNFORTUNATELY ALREADY FOUND THEIR WAY TO THE CHILD WELFARE,
23 PROBATION, OR HOMELESSNESS SYSTEMS. THAT MEANS PROFESSIONALS
24 IN THOSE SYSTEMS, AS WELL AS PARTNERING SYSTEMS, MUST FIND

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1 SENSITIVE AND EFFECTIVE WAYS TO ENGAGE ALL YOUTH, SO THAT THE
2 L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH FEEL COMFORTABLE COMING OUT.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TAKE THE REST OF THE
5 WRITTEN STATEMENT, IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE THAT WITH US. THANK
6 YOU, DR. COOPER, VERY MUCH, FOR YOUR WORK. NEXT SPEAKER,
7 PLEASE.

8

9 **TIMOTHY VALLEZ:** GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
10 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR ACKNOWLEDGING--

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** COULD YOU PULL THE MICROPHONE A LITTLE
13 CLOSER? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **TIMOTHY VALLEZ:** IT IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE, AND WILL HELP SAVE
16 LIVES. MY NAME IS TIMOTHY VALLEZ, ASSOCIATE PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL
17 WORKER, AND A 29-YEAR VETERAN WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 PROBATION DEPARTMENT. I ALSO WORK AS A PRIMARY THERAPIST AT AN
19 L.G.B.T. RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY, LA
20 FUENTE, LOCATED IN HOLLYWOOD. IN THIS WORK, IT IS NOT UNCOMMON
21 TO SEE ADULTS STILL HAUNTED BY THEIR YOUTH EXPERIENCES FROM
22 FAMILY REJECTION AND BULLYING. I'M ALSO A BOARD MEMBER OF THE
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY L.G.B.T. CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCIL,
24 ALONG WITH DR. KHUSH COOPER, DR. STEVE KRANTZ, AND PROFESSOR
25 MARK ABELSSON. MANY OF THE DETAINED L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH I HAVE

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1 WORKED WITH HAVE BEEN REJECTED BY THE FAMILY OR THE FOSTER
2 CARE SYSTEM, BECAUSE OF THEIR SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER
3 IDENTITY. ONE TRANSGENDER YOUTH HAD BEEN COMMERCIALY SEXUALLY
4 EXPLOITED BY THE TIME SHE WAS 13. DR. RYAN AND OTHERS HAVE
5 DOCUMENTED THAT FAMILY REJECTION RESULTS IN INCREASED RISK FOR
6 H.I.V., SUBSTANCE ABUSE, BEING COMMERCIALY SEXUALLY
7 EXPLOITED, INCREASED MENTAL HEALTH PATHOLOGY, HOMELESSNESS,
8 AND BEING OVERREPRESENTED IN THE FOSTER CARE AND JUVENILE
9 JUSTICE SYSTEMS. DR. ESPA LAISH AND OTHERS INDICATE THAT YOUTH
10 CAN OVERCOME REJECTION IF THEY HAVE SUPPORTIVE INSTITUTIONS.
11 THE LACK OF SUPPORTIVE INSTITUTIONS LEADS TO THE SAME NEGATIVE
12 HEALTH OUTCOMES AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, AS WELL AS L.G.B.T.Q.
13 YOUTH TURNING TO DYSFUNCTIONAL SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR GUIDANCE.
14 PROBATION, UNDER CHIEF MCDONALD'S LEADERSHIP, IS MAKING
15 POSITIVE CHANGES IN THIS AREA, AND FURTHER SUPPORT FROM THE
16 BOARD WILL ENSURE THAT SHE AND FUTURE ADMINISTRATORS CAN
17 CONTINUE TO MAKE THE DEPARTMENT A LEADER IN THIS AREA. I MADE
18 A LIST OF L.G.B.T.Q. SERVICE PROVIDERS IN DISTRICT 1, AT THE
19 DIRECTION OF THE BUREAU CHIEF. THERE WAS AN ABUNDANCE OF
20 RESOURCES WEST OF THE 605 FREEWAY, BUT NONE EAST OF THE 605,
21 THUS ILLUSTRATING WHY EVIDENCE-BASED L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH
22 PROGRAMMING FOR COUNTY AGENCIES, AS WELL AS FUNDING COMMUNITY-
23 BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO BUILD CAPACITY IN UNDERSERVED AREAS OF
24 THE COUNTY, IS WARRANTED. DR. COOPER RECENTLY PRESENTED AN
25 ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN WHICH PROVIDED EVIDENCE OF SOME COUNTY

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1 ADMINISTRATORS HAVING NO KNOWLEDGE OF L.G.B.T.Q. POLICIES, OR
2 IDENTIFYING THE NEED TO HAVE L.G.B.T.Q. PROGRAMMING. IT IS
3 IMPERATIVE THAT PROGRAMMING IS DONE AT ALL AGENCIES, STARTING
4 WITH FRONT-END AGENCIES SUCH AS PARKS AND REC AND THE COUNTY
5 LIBRARY SYSTEM. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT IF WE DO THIS,
6 HOPEFULLY THESE YOUTH WON'T HAVE TO SEE ME IN JUVENILE HALL. I
7 WANT ONE MORE THING TO SAY: IMAGINE YOU ARE A YOUTH LIVING IN
8 AN UNDERSERVED PART OF THE COUNTY. YOU GO TO THE COUNTY
9 LIBRARY WEB PAGE AND DO A BOOK SEARCH FOR "L.G.B.T." 123
10 OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE 92 LIBRARIES SPREAD ACROSS THE
11 COUNTY. IF YOU SEARCH THE WORD "MURDER," 24,079 OPTIONS ARE
12 AVAILABLE. BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS THAT INSTITUTIONALIZED
13 HOMOPHOBIA CREATES PROJECTS THE NEED TO ESTABLISH CULTURALLY
14 COMPETENT PROGRAMMING FOR THE UNDERSERVED POPULATION. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **JAMIE CANTOR:** MY NAME IS JAMIE CANTOR. I AM A CHILDREN'S
20 SERVICE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
21 FAMILY SERVICES. I'VE BEEN WITH THE DEPARTMENT FOR 28 YEARS,
22 IN PRETTY MUCH EVERY CAPACITY, AND I CURRENTLY WORK IN THE VAN
23 NUYS OFFICE. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S MOTION.
24 AND WHAT I'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU TODAY IS, IN MY 28 YEARS
25 OF SERVICE, MANY OF THE OBSERVATIONS AND EXPERIENCES THAT I'VE

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1 HAD WITH THIS POPULATION, PERSONALLY. FIRST AND FOREMOST, I AM
2 ALSO THE D.C.F.S. LIAISON IN MY OFFICE FOR THE COMMERCIALY
3 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN, WHICH I'LL REFER TO AS C.S.E.C.
4 FROM HERE ON, AND WHAT I HAVE OBSERVED IS A NOTICEABLE
5 INCREASE IN THE L.G.B.T.Q. FOSTER YOUTH ENGAGING IN C.S.E.C.
6 BEHAVIORS DURING THIS PAST YEAR. I'VE ALSO FOUND THAT IT'S
7 KINSHIP CAREGIVERS THAT HAVE THE HIGHEST INTOLERANCE OF HAVING
8 THEIR OWN KIN IDENTIFYING AS L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH, WHICH JUST
9 FURTHER ISOLATES AND DEPRESSES THIS POPULATION. I'VE ALSO
10 FOUND THERE IS ALSO A VERY HIGH PERCENTAGE OF FOSTER HOMES
11 WITH FOSTER PARENTS WHO SHARE THESE SAME FEELINGS TOWARDS THE
12 L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH IN THEIR HOMES. A COMMON PROBLEM THAT I'VE
13 ALSO FOUND IS FINDING FOSTER HOMES FOR THE L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH. I
14 KNOW OF ONLY ONE AGENCY THAT HAS GROUP HOMES FOR THIS
15 POPULATION. I HAVE YET TO ASSIST THE C.S.W. IN LOCATING A
16 FOSTER HOME FOR PLACEMENT OF AN L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH. I AGREE WITH
17 THIS MOTION THAT D.C.F.S. NEEDS TO INCORPORATE EITHER A
18 SPECIALIZED UNIT OR AN L.G.B.T.Q. LIAISON, LIKE THAT OF A
19 C.S.E.C. LIAISON, LIKE WHAT I DO, IN EACH D.C.F.S. OFFICE, TO
20 ADEQUATELY MEET THE NEEDS OF THIS POPULATION. HOWEVER, THERE
21 MUST BE EFFECTIVE PROTOCOL TO ENSURE THAT THE SOCIAL WORKERS
22 ARE REFERRING THESE YOUTH FOR ASSISTANCE. THIS IS A CURRENT
23 PROBLEM OF MY ROLE AS A C.S.E.C. LIAISON. DESPITE MY
24 ADMINISTRATION'S REQUEST FOR SOCIAL WORKERS TO REFER THEIR
25 CASES, THIS IS NOT OCCURRING. D.C.F.S. STAFF ARE IN GREAT NEED

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1 OF TRAINING AND WORKING WITH THE L.G.B.T.Q. POPULATION;
2 HOWEVER, I HAVE FOUND, FROM THE THREE TRAININGS THAT I
3 PERSONALLY HAVE COORDINATED ON C.S.E.C., STAFF ARE MORE
4 RESPONSIVE TO HEARING FROM A YOUTH, AND NOT FROM THE TYPICAL
5 D.C.F.S. TRAINING. I BELIEVE THAT SUCH TRAINING SHOULD INCLUDE
6 A PANEL OF L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH. I CAN SEE THAT MY TIME IS ABOUT
7 TO RUN SHORT, AND I HAVE MANY, MANY OTHER OBSERVATIONS AND
8 EXPERIENCES TO SHARE WITH YOU. I WOULD LOVE TO SUBMIT THOSE TO
9 YOU, FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF MY SPEAKING. I DO LOOK
10 FORWARD IN WORKING WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH THESE
11 ISSUES, AND I HOPE THAT, AS A TEAM EFFORT, WE CAN PROVIDE THE
12 SUPPORT AND SERVICES THAT L.G.B.T.Q. FOSTER YOUTH SO
13 DESPERATELY NEED, SO THAT WE CAN DIRECT THEM IN A PATH OF
14 HAVING A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL OF THE WRITTEN STATEMENTS
17 BECOME A PART OF THE RECORD, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, WHATEVER
18 YOU'D LIKE TO GIVE US. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **JULIE MCCORMICK:** YES, GOOD MORNING. I'M JULIE MCCORMICK. I'M A
21 POLICY ASSOCIATE WITH THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER OF CALIFORNIA.
22 WE REPRESENT THE APPROXIMATELY 30,000 CHILDREN UNDER THE
23 JURISDICTION OF THE DEPENDENCY COURT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, A
24 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF WHOM ARE L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH, GIVEN THEIR
25 OVERREPRESENTATION IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, WHICH WE'VE

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1 HEARD ALREADY, REPEATEDLY. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS
2 KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORTH THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. WE
3 BELIEVE IT'S EXTREMELY NEEDED. PRIOR TO MY CURRENT ROLE, I
4 SPENT ALMOST A DECADE IN THE COURTROOM, PROVIDING DIRECT
5 REPRESENTATION FOR CHILDREN IN CARE. I AND MY COLLEAGUES HAVE
6 SEEN FIRSTHAND THE GAPS IN TRAINING, SERVICES, FUNDING,
7 RECRUITMENT, AND PLACEMENTS FOR THE L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH WE
8 REPRESENT, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR CLIENTS WHO ARE ALSO TRANSGENDER
9 OR VICTIMS OF COMMERCIAL SEX TRAFFICKING. WHILE WE HAVE SEEN
10 SOME PROMISING SUPPORTS THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, IN RECENT TIME,
11 THESE SUPPORTS SEEM TO BE IN DECLINE. AS THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER
12 MENTIONED, THERE'S ONLY ONE GROUP HOME PLACEMENT FOR THESE
13 YOUTH, CURRENTLY. IT IS UNCLEAR TO US WHETHER THIS IS DUE TO A
14 LACK OF FUNDING, AND THE PROGRAMS ARE CLOSING, OR WHETHER
15 THERE'S A FAILURE BY THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM TO ENGAGE AND
16 UTILIZE THESE SUPPORTS. IF PASSED, THIS MOTION WOULD HELP
17 IDENTIFY SERVICES AVAILABLE, AS WELL AS WHAT ADDITIONAL
18 SERVICES AND SUPPORTS NEED TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO BETTER SERVE
19 THIS POPULATION OF YOUTH. WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT, AND THANK YOU
20 AGAIN FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR OUR CLIENTS.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23

24 **JUAN CASTILLO-ALVARADO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUAN
25 CASTILLO-ALVARADO, AND I'M THE PUBLIC EDUCATION DIRECTOR FOR

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1 LATINO EQUALITY ALLIANCE. AND FIRST OF ALL, I WANTED TO THANK
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORTH THIS
3 MOTION. I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH A GROUP OF
4 L.G.B.T.Q. STUDENTS IN THE BOYLE HEIGHTS AREA, AS WELL AS
5 PARENTS. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE ALWAYS STRIVE TO TEACH
6 THEM IS TO KNOW THAT THEY'RE POWERFUL, THAT THEY'RE VALUABLE,
7 AND THAT THEY'RE IMPORTANT. AND UNFORTUNATELY, A LOT OF THE
8 STUDENTS WHO ARE IN FOSTER CARE ARE NOT GIVEN THOSE
9 OPPORTUNITIES. THIS MOTION IS SO IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE KNOW
10 THAT DIRE CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE DIRE RESULTS, AND THIS MOTION
11 WILL RECOGNIZE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT NEEDED FOR THESE
12 L.G.B.T.Q. STUDENTS THAT ARE ALREADY IN THE CARE OF D.C.F.S.
13 WE WOULD MAKE SURE THAT THIS MANDATE, OR YOU WOULD MAKE SURE,
14 THAT BY PASSING THIS MANDATE, IT PROVIDES RESOURCES AND
15 SUPPORT SERVICES, AND GET RID OF THE NEGATIVE SERVICES THAT
16 ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED AT THE MOMENT. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT 90
17 PERCENT OF THE YOUTH OUT OF HOME CARE IDENTIFY AS L.G.B.T.Q.,
18 WHICH MEANS THAT 1.5 TO TWO TIMES AS MANY L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH ARE
19 LIVING IN FOSTER CARE. THESE YOUTH ARE ALREADY EXPERIENCING
20 FEAR TO BE WHO THEY ARE. THEY'RE EXPERIENCING REJECTION FROM
21 THEIR FAMILIES, FROM THEIR FRIENDS, AND THEIR COMMUNITY. SO,
22 AS WE KNOW, THIS LEADS TO DEPRESSION, SUBSTANCE ABUSE, HIGHER
23 RISKS OF SUICIDE. AND THIS MOTION SETS FORTH PROGRAMS AND
24 RESOURCES TO BETTER SERVE THE COMMUNITY. SO WE COMMEND YOU FOR
25 DOING THIS, AND WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT BEING PART OF

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1 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WANT TO SUPPORT YOUTH, WE CAN COLLABORATE
2 WITH YOU AND COLLABORATE WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO MAKE SURE
3 THAT THESE YOUTH DON'T FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS. SO THANK YOU
4 ONCE AGAIN.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND NOW FOR THE
7 EXPERTS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **DOMINIQUE ROSS:** OKAY. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DOMINIQUE ROSS.
10 I'M A PROUD BLACK GAY MAN, AND A YOUTH LEADER HERE WITH
11 NATIONAL FOSTER YOUTH INSTITUTE. I AM ALSO A PHOTOGRAPHY MAJOR
12 AT SANTA MONICA COLLEGE. I ENTERED FOSTER CARE AT BIRTH. I WAS
13 FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE PLACED WITH MY AUNT AT THE TIME, WHICH
14 WAS MY LEGAL GUARDIAN. I HAD OVER THREE SOCIAL WORKERS AT THAT
15 TIME, BUT I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE I HAD ANYONE TO TALK TO ABOUT MY
16 OWN SEXUAL IDENTITY, MY STRUGGLES, AS I STRUGGLED WITH MY
17 SEXUAL IDENTITY. I WAS TEASED ABOUT MY SEXUALITY. I ACTED OUT.
18 I GOT INTO FIGHTS. I EVEN WAS PLACED INTO PRIVATE SCHOOL, AT
19 ONE POINT. I WAS PLACED INTO A SMALLER CLASSROOM, AND THIS IS
20 WHEN I MET A TEACHER NAMED MS. DAVIS. SHE ACTUALLY PULLED ME
21 ASIDE, AND ACTUALLY TOLD ME THAT SHE SEEN POTENTIAL IN ME. SHE
22 SEEN SOMEONE THAT WAS CONFIDENT, SOMEONE THAT COULD BE A
23 LEADER, SOMEONE THAT WAS VERY SOCIABLE, AND I ALWAYS CARRIED
24 THAT WITH ME. YET, NO ONE EVER REALLY SAT ME DOWN AND REALLY
25 TRIED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT I WAS GOING THROUGH, AS FAR AS MY

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1 SEXUALITY AND UNDERSTANDING WHAT WAS WRONG WITH ME. THERE WERE
2 NO L.G.B.T. SERVICES OR MENTORS OR SUPPORT GROUPS OFFERED. I
3 FELT ALONE. EVEN MY FAMILY FROWNED UPON IT. WE'LL BE WATCHING
4 THE T.V. SHOW, AND THEY BE LIKE, "OH, HE'S SO GAY," IF IT'S A
5 FEMININE CHARACTER ON TELEVISION. AND I DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO
6 REACT TO THAT, AS A CHILD. I KNEW I FELT ALONE. I JUST WISH
7 THE L.A. COUNTY WOULD HAVE PROVIDED ME WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO
8 MEET OTHER L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH AT A VERY YOUNG AGE. ESPECIALLY AS
9 A BLACK GAY MAN IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, IT WAS HARD FOR ME TO
10 FIND MY WAY WITHOUT A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY. SO TODAY I'M
11 ASKING YOU TO CONSIDER THESE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS. ONE IS TO
12 INCREASE INVESTMENTS IN L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH PROGRAMS IN SOUTH LOS
13 ANGELES, SPECIFICALLY BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE HELPED BENEFIT ME
14 WHEN I WAS YOUNGER. IT WASN'T UNTIL I WAS 24 YEARS OLD AND I
15 BECAME A PART OF N.F.Y.I., WHERE THERE IS A SENSE OF
16 COMMUNITY, FAMILY, WHERE I'M ABLE TO BE MYSELF; AND NUMBER
17 TWO, INCLUDE L.G.B.T. YOUTH VOICES IN POLICYMAKING. IT IS
18 IMPORTANT FOR L.G.B.T. YOUTH TO BE INVOLVED IN SHAPING THE
19 POLICY PROPOSALS DRAFTED AS A RESULT OF THIS MOTION. I HOPE
20 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONSIDER AMENDING THEIR MOTION
21 TO REQUIRE DEPARTMENTS TO ENGAGE WITH YOUTH IN SHAPING THEIR
22 RECOMMENDATIONS, BEFORE THEY SUBMIT THEM TO THE BOARD. I
23 SUPPORT THE MOTION BEFORE US TODAY, AND I AM GRATEFUL TO THE
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR MOVING THIS FORWARD. PLEASE INVEST IN
25 L.G.B.T. YOUTH PROGRAMS IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, LIKE N.F.Y.I.,

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1 AND PLEASE CONTINUE TO INCLUDE L.G.B.T. YOUTH AND VOICE IN
2 SHAPING POLICY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND COMMITMENT TO
3 IMPROVE THE OUTCOMES FOR L.G.B.T. YOUTH. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. VERY MUCH. NEXT
6 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **JOSHUA ARGUELLEZ:** GOOD MORNING, ESTEEMED BOARD MEMBERS. MY
9 NAME IS JOSHUA ARGUELLEZ, AND I'M A 16-YEAR-OLD JUNIOR AT JOHN
10 C. FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL. I ALSO WORK WITH THE G.S.A. NETWORK IN
11 SOUTHERN LOS ANGELES, AS A YOUTH LEADER. I'M HERE TODAY
12 BECAUSE I MYSELF HAVE FACED TROUBLES OF BEING A QUEER YOUTH
13 WITHIN FOSTER CARE AND WITHIN THE D.C.F.S. CASE SERVICES. I
14 WAS PUT INTO FOSTER CARE BEFORE MY NINTH BIRTHDAY. AT A VERY
15 YOUNG AGE, I KNEW I WAS VERY DIFFERENT FROM OTHER BOYS MY AGE.
16 WHEREAS THEY WERE INTERESTED IN THINGS SUCH AS SPORTS AND
17 CARS, AND THINGS LIKE THAT, I DIDN'T FIND THOSE SAME QUALITIES
18 IN MYSELF TO BE INTERESTED IN THOSE THINGS. I WAS MORE
19 INTERESTED INTO THINGS THAT WERE CONSIDERED FEMININE OR GIRLY.
20 TOWARDS MY MORE ADOLESCENT YEARS, WHEN I STARTED PROGRESSING,
21 I NOTICED I WAS ATTRACTED TO GUYS, RATHER IN THE WAY THAT I
22 SHOULD BE ATTRACTED TO GIRLS. WITHIN MY FOSTER HOME, I NEVER
23 REALLY FOUND THE SUPPORT I NEEDED TO EXPRESS MYSELF AND TO
24 ACCEPT WHO I WAS. BEING GAY AND BEING L.G.B.T. WAS NEVER
25 REALLY A TOPIC TALKED ABOUT WITHIN THE HOUSEHOLD. IT WAS

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1 MENTIONED EVERY HERE AND THERE, BUT IT WAS NEVER REALLY SAID,
2 "OH, IT'S OKAY," OR, "IT'S WRONG." SO THEREFORE, I NEVER
3 REALLY HAD THAT SUPPORT OR IDEA THAT I WOULD GET SUPPORT FROM
4 MY FOSTER PARENTS. THE ONLY TIME I EVER RECEIVED ANY TYPE OF
5 SUPPORT WAS NOT THROUGH A GOOD EXPERIENCE, BUT RATHER THROUGH
6 A BAD EXPERIENCE. AT THE TIME, I WAS STILL VERY YOUNG. I WAS
7 STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHO I WAS. I WASN'T OUT TO ANYBODY.
8 I WASN'T EVEN OUT TO MYSELF YET. AT THE TIME, MY SOCIAL
9 WORKER, MY D.C.F.S. CASE WORKER, HAD RECOMMENDED AN L.G.B.T.
10 WORKER TO ME WITHOUT MY KNOWLEDGE. AT THE TIME, I FELT VERY
11 OFFENDED BY IT, AND IT MADE ME VERY MORE SELF-CONSCIOUS ABOUT
12 WHAT I WAS DOING, AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE WAY I WAS ACTING OR
13 THE WAY I WAS TALKING WAS... LIKE, DESCRIBING MY CHARACTER IN
14 A WAY THAT MAYBE I WASN'T EXACTLY SURE I WANTED TO BE SEEN.
15 WHAT I WANTED TO RECOMMEND TO THE MOTION FIRST WOULD BE THAT
16 ALL FOSTER PARENTS AND ANYBODY WHO WOULD BE AGREEING TO DO
17 KINSHIP OR ADOPTION FOR A FOSTER YOUTH, OR ANY YOUTH, WOULD BE
18 TO HAVE SIGNED SOME TYPE OF WAIVER SAYING THEY WOULD BE
19 SUPPORTIVE OF ALL YOUTH, WHETHER THEY'RE GAY, BISEXUAL, OR
20 JUST FACING CHALLENGES WITHIN THEIR LIFE. ANOTHER
21 RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE A TRAINING FOR SOCIAL WORKERS TO
22 ADDRESS THE TOPIC OF L.G.B.T. WITH THEIR YOUTH, BEFORE
23 ASSUMING THESE KINDS OF QUALITIES AND CHARACTERISTICS ABOUT
24 THE YOUTH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.

2

3 **DAYVON WILLIAMS:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME
4 IS DAYVON WILLIAMS, AND I'M HERE TO ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO DO
5 AS MUCH AS THEY CAN DO TO IMPROVE SERVICE OUTCOMES FOR OUR
6 L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH. I ENTERED THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM WHEN I WAS
7 THREE YEARS OLD, AT A VERY YOUNG AGE IN MY CHILDHOOD, AND
8 MOVED FROM PROBABLY OVER TO EIGHT OR NINE DIFFERENT HOUSES
9 DURING MY LIFETIME. AND I WAS BULLIED IN SCHOOL AND HAD NO
10 KIND OF SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, AND I WAS FORCED TO DEAL WITH IT
11 BY SUPPRESSING MYSELF, AND DEAL WITH MY IDENTIFYING MYSELF ON
12 MY OWN. WITHOUT MENTORS OR STABLE FAMILY, I ENDED UP IN A
13 PROBATION SYSTEM AND HOUSING. IT HAS BEEN A MAJOR STRUGGLE FOR
14 ME-- PERMANENT HOUSING. BUT SOMEHOW I SURVIVED. TODAY I AM IN
15 COLLEGE, AND I AM WORKING ON A DEGREE FOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT,
16 AT L.A. TRADE-TECH COLLEGE. AND I AM DEDICATED TO IMPROVING MY
17 COMMUNITY'S ACCESS TO EDUCATION, HOUSING, AND DEVELOPMENT
18 OPPORTUNITIES, AS TODAY, THESE DAYS IN L.A. COUNTY, WE HAVE A
19 BETTER CHANCE OF FINDING HOUSING IN JAIL, WHICH THE COUNTY HAS
20 A \$3.6 BILLION JAIL PLAN, I BELIEVE, AND I BELIEVE THAT MONEY
21 CAN BE REINVESTED INTO OUR L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH AND THE COMMUNITY,
22 IN GENERAL; THAT THAT MONEY CAN GO TO A LOT MORE SUPPORT THAT
23 WE NEED. MY RECOMMENDATIONS ARE TO INVEST INTO L.G.B.T.Q.
24 YOUTH PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND TO FIND SUPPORT AND EXTENDED
25 FAMILIES. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU TO THE
3 PRESENTERS. PLEASE CALL THOSE WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK AS
4 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

5

6 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
7 HAVE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM NO. 2; PLEASE COME
8 FORWARD WHEN YOU HEAR YOUR NAME: ADAM MORELLO REYES. PLEASE
9 COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL DIRECT YOU. DR. GENEVIEVE
10 CLAVREUL, MARCELLIA GOODRICH, ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE COME
11 FORWARD, JENNY DELWOOD AND RICHARD CORRAL.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EACH SPEAKER IN THIS SET WILL
14 HAVE TWO MINUTES OR LESS, IF THEY CHOOSE LESS, BECAUSE YOU CAN
15 ALLOCATE YOUR TIME TO OTHER ITEMS. THANK YOU. WELCOME.
16 EVERYBODY, SPEAK RIGHT INTO THE MIC, BECAUSE WE RECORD, TOO,
17 YOU KNOW, FOR HISTORY.

18

19 **ADAM MORELLO REYES:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD.

22

23 **ADAM MORELLO REYES:** ALL RIGHT. MY NAME IS ADAM MORELLO REYES.
24 I USE THE PRONOUNS "HE" AND "THEY." I AM A NONBINARY
25 TRANSMASCULINE PERSON OF COLOR, AND I CURRENTLY INTERN FOR

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1 GENDER JUSTICE L.A. I AM ALSO A FASHION MARKETING STUDENT OVER
2 AT THE ART INSTITUTE OF HOLLYWOOD, THE BRANCH OF ARGOSY
3 UNIVERSITY. MY THREE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BOARD INCLUDE
4 ACCESSIBLE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR HOMELESS, DISABLED
5 TRANSPeOPLE OF COLOR, AS WELL AS UNDOCUMENTED SURVIVORS OF
6 PHYSICAL, SEXUAL, EMOTIONAL, AND VERBAL ABUSE; L.A.P.D.
7 INTERVENTION WITH SURVIVORS, FOR FOLLOWING A SAFETY PLAN AFTER
8 SUCH A SERIES OF EVENTS; AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, MAKING KNOWN
9 THAT VERBAL AND EMOTIONAL ABUSE IS AS DAMAGING AND INSIDIOUS
10 AS PHYSICAL ABUSE. OVER THE COURSE OF MY CHILDHOOD, L.A.P.D.
11 HAS INTERVENED WITH MY FAMILY, BASED ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND
12 MY FATHER'S ALCOHOLISM, BUT WITH NO EFFORT OVER MOVING HIM
13 ACCORDINGLY WITHIN THOSE SERIES OF EVENTS, OR REACHING OUT TO
14 MY FAMILY, INCLUDING MY SIBLINGS AND MY MOTHER, FOR SUCH
15 SERVICES. THEY HAD TO INTERVENE TWICE. THE FIRST TIME, THEY
16 HAD COME TO MY HOME AND THEY HAD NOT REMOVED HIM, SINCE HE HAD
17 SIMPLY NOT HIT ANYONE. SO THAT FOLLOWED WITH MY SIBLING AND MY
18 MOTHER EVACUATING THE HOME FOR THE NIGHT, AND SPENDING THE
19 NIGHT IN A MOTEL. FOLLOWING THAT, WE CONTINUED TO LIVE WITH
20 HIM. AFTER FIVE YEARS, HE HAD FINALLY HIT MY MOTHER, GRABBED
21 HER BY THE THROAT, AND PULLED HER HAIR, AND L.A.P.D.
22 INTERVENED, TAKING HIM TO JAIL, WAS BAILED OUT WITHIN TWO
23 DAYS, AND WENT TO STAY WITH A FRIEND. AFTER THAT, HE LIVED
24 WITH US, DID COMMUNITY SERVICE, WENT TO A.A. TIME EXPIRED. MY
25 APOLOGIES.

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. NEXT
3 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I'D JUST LIKE TO START OFF BY SAYING
6 THAT I DO AGREE WITH THEIR MOTION. MY RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE
7 THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, THE
8 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, THAT ALL OF THESE ENTITIES HAVE
10 AN L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH VOICE PRESENT AT THE TABLE WITHIN THOSE 90
11 DAYS, BECAUSE WHO BETTER YET TO TELL YOU WHAT IT IS THAT WE
12 NEED THAN ONE OF US? SO THAT WOULD BE MY RECOMMENDATION. THANK
13 YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

20

21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. I AM GLAD TO SEE
22 THAT MOTION. I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU. WHEN WE'RE TALKING
23 ABOUT 90 DAYS, ARE WE TALKING ABOUT BUSINESS DAYS OR EVERY
24 DAY? BECAUSE WE NEVER SPECIFIED THAT, AND THAT CAN BE A BIG
25 DIFFERENCE.

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GENERALLY, WE EXPECT BACK IN THREE MONTHS,
3 WHEN WE SAY 90 DAYS.

4

5 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OH. AND I THINK THE IMPORTANT THING IS
6 TO REALLY ASSESS WHAT WE ALREADY HAVE, AND HOW THOSE ARE
7 WORKING NOW. ONE YOUTH ISSUE I HAVE FOUND IS THAT MANY OF YOU
8 GIVE DIRECTION TO YOUR AIDES, AND THEY DON'T EVEN ANSWER A
9 PHONE CALL. THAT'S ONE THING I THINK YOU REALLY NEED TO LOOK
10 AT. I THINK IT'S TERRIBLE WHEN YOU MAKE A PHONE CALL FOR AN
11 ACUTE ISSUE. IT TAKES FOUR PHONE CALLS TO GET THE RESPONSE.
12 THAT REALLY IS MY BIG COMPLAINT. AND I HAVE SEEN IT PRETTY
13 MUCH ACROSS ALL SUPERVISORS' DEPARTMENTS. SO THANK YOU FOR
14 YOUR MOTION. MAKE SURE IT HAPPENS. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASE CALL THE
17 REMAINING PEOPLE WHO'VE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

18

19 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD RED CHIEF HUNT PLEASE COME
20 FORWARD?

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. SPEAK RIGHT INTO THE MIC, PLEASE.

23

24 **JENNY DELWOOD:** HI THERE. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JENNY
25 DELWOOD, WITH THE LIBERTY HILL FOUNDATION, AND WE HAVE THE

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1 HONOR OF FACILITATING A QUEER YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM AT
2 LIBERTY HILL. AND SOME OF THE YOUTH LEADERS ACTUALLY SURVEYED
3 ONE ANOTHER, COLLECTING HUNDREDS OF SURVEYS, AND THE RESULTS
4 ARE VERY CONSISTENT WITH SOME OF THE STATISTICS THAT HAVE BEEN
5 SHARED TODAY. YOUNG PEOPLE IDENTIFIED THREE PRIORITIES: THE
6 FIRST, STABLE HOUSING; THE SECOND, YOUTH JUSTICE, INVESTMENTS
7 IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, AS OPPOSED TO INCARCERATION; AND THIRD,
8 HIGH-QUALITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. NOW, TODAY WE'VE HEARD
9 FROM SOME VERY ELOQUENT AND POWERFUL YOUNG PEOPLE, AND WE
10 HOPE, AT LIBERTY HILL, THAT THE BOARD WILL CONTINUE TO ENGAGE
11 YOUNG PEOPLE, NOT JUST HERE AT FORMAL BOARD SETTINGS, BUT
12 REALLY EMBED AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE RECOMMENDATIONS
13 COMING BACK FROM THE DEPARTMENTS, AND TO FURTHER POLICY;
14 REALLY, EMBED YOUTH VOICE, BECAUSE YOUTH REALLY ARE THE ONES
15 WHO KNOW WHAT THEY NEED AND HOW THEY NEED THOSE SERVICES.
16 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS MOTION,
17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE ENTIRE BOARD,
18 AND WE ARE IN FULL SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. HAPPY NEW YEAR. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, FROM
23 THE THIRD DISTRICT.

24

25 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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1

2 **ERIC PREVEN:** THIS IS A GREAT STEP, I THINK, IN A DIRECTION.
3 I'VE WORKED IN THE ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS, WROTE FOR A SHOW
4 THAT FOCUSED ON YOUTH, CALLED "POPULAR," ON THE W.B., AND WE
5 SPENT A LOT OF TIME FOCUSING ON HOW L.G.B.T.Q. KIDS CAN BE
6 ESPECIALLY AFFECTED BY FAMILY STRIFE. AND I THINK, ESPECIALLY,
7 IT MAKES SENSE IN THE FOSTER SYSTEM TO GIVE, YOU KNOW, NOT
8 SPECIAL TREATMENT, BUT A SPECIAL CONSIDERATION, AND FIND A WAY
9 TO HEAR FROM THE VOICES OF THESE KIDS, BECAUSE IT'S CRITICALLY
10 IMPORTANT. YOU KNOW, THE NUMBERS ARE WHAT THEY ARE, BUT THIS
11 IS A HUMANE STEP, AND I APPLAUD THE BOARD FOR GOING IN THIS
12 DIRECTION. YOU KNOW, THE EPISODE THAT I WROTE WAS ABOUT A
13 TRANSGENDER TEACHER. THIS WAS LIKE 10, 12 YEARS AGO, SO IT WAS
14 AHEAD OF ITS TIME. AND THE TEACHER, WITH THE EPISODE, THE KIDS
15 CAME UP IN SUPPORT OF THE TEACHER WHEN HE CAME OUT, BUT THEY
16 FIRED HIM, BECAUSE IT WAS REAL-WORLD BACK THEN. BUT IT'S REAL-
17 WORLD NOW. MAYBE THAT WOULD BE DIFFERENT. I HOPE SO.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** HOPEFULLY NOT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASE
20 CALL THE REMAINING SPEAKERS. ONE SECOND, CHIEF.

21

22 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD REVEREND DR. MELLO DESIRE
23 PLEASE COME FORWARD?

24

25 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1

2 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** THE RED CHIEF HUNT, FOR THE RECORD. THANK YOU,
3 AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL YOU GUYS.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** HAPPY NEW YEAR.

6

7 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** THANK YOU, GUYS, MOSTLY FOR SUPPORTING THIS
8 BILL. THERE IS NO INDIFFERENT PEOPLE, WHETHER THEY'RE LESBIAN
9 OR GAY. EVERYBODY SHOULD BE TREATED THE SAME. BUT A LITTLE BIT
10 MORE ATTENTION THIS YEAR, AND A LITTLE BIT MORE SUPPORT FOR
11 THE YOUTH. AND LIKE I SAID, WHETHER YOU'RE BLACK, WHETHER
12 YOU'RE GAY, WHETHER YOU'RE LESBIAN, WHATEVER, IT'S REALLY
13 IMPORTANT THAT YOU GUYS TAKE THIS STEP, AND I'M VERY PROUD OF
14 YOU GUYS. PLEASE KEEP ON DOING THE GOOD WORK. THANK YOU. THE
15 RED CHIEF HUNT.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LAST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** HI. HAPPY NEW YEAR.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** HAPPY NEW YEAR.

22

23 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** SO, DECEMBER 21ST, THE DEPARTMENT OF
24 MENTAL HEALTH PEER RESOURCE CENTER INVITED THE T.A.Y. YOUTH TO
25 PERFORM A SUICIDE PREVENTION RAP SONG. WHEN THEY ARRIVED, THEY

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1 WERE YELLED AT BY PEER RESOURCE CENTER STAFF THAT WAS
2 INSTRUCTED BY KATHLEEN AUSTRIA, MIRIAM BROWN, AND CAROLINE
3 KELLY. IT'S APPALLING THAT EVEN THE PROGRAM THAT THEY WERE
4 SUPPOSED TO PERFORM IN NUMBER 3 WAS REMOVED. AND YOU HAVE DR.
5 SHERIN, GARY WALZENDEK, SCOTT HERNANDA, SAMANTHA WINNING,
6 CHRISTINE TAMIMURA, ELIZABETH MENDEZ, CHARLES MILLER,
7 CATHERINE CLAY. NOW, I NEED TO KNOW, WHAT RESOURCES DOES THE
8 PEER RESOURCE CENTER HAVE, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HAVE, FOR
9 FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE GAY? NOT EVEN GAY, BUT WHO ARE FOSTER
10 YOUTH? NOTHING. AND I FIND IT VERY APPALLING THAT ON THIS DAY,
11 THAT THESE KIDS, WHO-- WELLNESS RECOVERY ACTION PLAN, PART OF
12 IT IS MUSIC. A LOT OF THEM WERE MEDICATED. WE JUST RELEASED
13 DARRYL GREEN FROM STATE HOSPITAL; JEREMY LEE, WHO WAS
14 SUICIDAL. THIS PERFORMANCE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THE OPENING DOOR
15 FOR THEIR RECOVERY. BUT INSTEAD, YOU HAD KATHLEEN AUSTRIA AND
16 CAROLINE KELLY, MIRIAM BROWN, OFF TO A CORNER, LIKE A BAD
17 AFTERSCHOOL SPECIAL, BULLYING AND INSTRUCTING THE RESOURCE
18 EXECUTIVES NOT TO ALLOW THESE KIDS TO PERFORM. AND WE'RE
19 TALKING ABOUT CHANGING DIRECTION. I NEED TO KNOW WHERE THE
20 DIRECTION IS BEING CHANGED, WHEN SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPENS.
21 THE HOLIDAY PARTY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A TIME OF GETTING
22 TOGETHER BEFORE THE NEW YEAR CAME. BUT WHEN YOU'RE ABUSING THE
23 KIDS LIKE THIS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS, AND YOU'RE PUTTING
24 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN CAMPAIGNS LIKE THIS, AND YOU'RE PUTTING
25 THINGS-- KUEHL AND SOLIS, HONESTLY, YOU REALLY ARE HELPING THE

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1 SITUATION, BUT UNFORTUNATELY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
2 IS NOT WITH YOU, BECAUSE THEIR BEHAVIOR IS ATROCIOUS, IN HOW
3 THEY TREAT OUR YOUTH.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** COULD YOU GIVE THAT PROGRAM TO ONE OF OUR
6 STAFF, SO THAT WE CAN HAVE THE NAMES?

7

8 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** SURE.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THAT WOULD BE GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I
11 HAVE AN ADDITIONAL REQUEST TO SPEAK. EVERYBODY'S LOVING THIS
12 ITEM. THAT'S FINE WITH ME. CALL HIM OR HER UP.

13

14 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** DARRELL KRUSE, PLEASE COME FORWARD,
15 AND STAFF WILL DIRECT YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. IT'S OUR REALLY, REALLY, REALLY
18 LAST SPEAKER.

19

20 **DARRELL KRUSE:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

23

24 **DARRELL KRUSE:** I AM DARRELL KRUSE. THE DOCTOR WAS ASKING ABOUT
25 90 DAYS. YOU SAID THREE MONTHS. ON MAY 27TH, 2005, I WAS TOLD

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1 30 DAYS. ON MAY 28TH, THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA CHANGED IT TO
2 45. ON JULY 12TH, 2005, THEY ADDED 10-1/2 MONTHS. I DON'T KNOW
3 ABOUT YOUR 45 DAYS, 90 DAYS. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT ANY OF IT. I
4 KNOW MAY 9, 2006, THEY ADDED ANOTHER YEAR. IT WAS NEVER REALLY
5 TAKEN CARE OF. I'VE BEEN WAITING 13 YEARS. I HOPE THESE PEOPLE
6 DON'T HAVE TO WAIT 13 YEARS.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES ALL THE PEOPLE
9 WHO'VE ASKED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, DID YOU
10 WANT TO SAY ANYTHING IN CLOSING? IS YOUR MIC ON?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, I WANT TO JUST RECOGNIZE THE
13 INDIVIDUALS THAT CAME TO TESTIFY, PARTICULARLY THE YOUNG
14 PEOPLE, AND THE NOTE THAT WE NEED MORE SERVICES. THE POINT
15 THAT WE DON'T HAVE SERVICES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
16 SUFFICIENTLY AVAILABLE TO MANY OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IS VERY
17 DISTURBING TO ME. SO I HOPE THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO MOVE THIS
18 EFFORT ALONG, AND LIKEWISE, ALSO, JUST ASK THE BOARD TO BE
19 REMINDED. WE HEARD FROM MANY YOUNG PEOPLE HERE, WHO ARE
20 TEENAGERS AND PROBABLY ABOVE. WHAT ABOUT THE YOUNGER CHILDREN
21 THAT GET PUNISHED AND POKED AT AND BULLIED BECAUSE NO ONE'S
22 DEFENDING THEM OR GIVING THEM VOICE TO POWER? AND I THINK
23 ABOUT THE CURRENT LOSS THAT WE SAW SUFFERED BY A FAMILY, TWO,
24 THREE YEARS AGO. THAT COURT CASE IS STILL BEING DISPUTED, BUT
25 NONETHELESS THE CHILD THAT WAS THE VICTIM WAS POINTED OUT BY

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1 THE BOYFRIEND-- I BELIEVE, THE MOTHER'S-- AS POSSIBLY BEING
2 L.G.B.T.Q. AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT
3 THESE ISSUES TO ELEVATE THEM TO CREATE GREATER UNDERSTANDING.
4 SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU. AND I THANK THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND THE
5 PROVIDERS THAT ARE HERE. THIS IS A VERY STRONG MESSAGE THAT
6 HAS TO BE ARTICULATED THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY. THANK YOU
7 VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES. I
10 WANT TO ESPECIALLY THANK ALL THOSE WHO CAME TO PRESENT, AND
11 THEN CAME UP TO SPEAK. YOU PROBABLY KNOW THIS IS PRETTY
12 PERSONAL TO ME. WE ARE NOT THE ONLY MINORITY WHO'S BULLIED IN
13 THIS SOCIETY. SOCIETY IS RIFE WITH A KIND OF SICKNESS OF "ME
14 BETTERNESS," AND SUFFERING FROM THAT. ONE OF THE INTERESTING
15 THINGS ABOUT OUR L.G.B.T.Q. MINORITY, HOWEVER, IS THAT WHERE
16 MANY MINORITIES GROW UP WITH PEOPLE WHO LOOK LIKE THEM, SOUND
17 LIKE THEM, HAVE THE SAME EXPERIENCE AND LIFE EXPERIENCE THEY
18 DO, FOR THE MOST PART, WE DON'T, AND SO IT'S VERY ISOLATING. A
19 LOT OF US WERE RUNAWAYS. MANY MORE WERE THROWAWAYS. AND ALL OF
20 THESE KIND OF DEPRESSING STATISTICS ABOUT THE HIGHER NUMBERS
21 OF EVERYTHING THAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE EXPERIENCE HAVE TO ALSO BE
22 MENTIONED IN THE CONTEXT OF OUR RESILIENCY, OF OUR LOVE. I
23 MEAN, THIS WHOLE MINORITY, FRANKLY, IS JUST ABOUT LOVE. IT'S
24 LIKE, "WHO DO YOU LOVE? WE'RE GOING TO HATE YOU BECAUSE OF WHO
25 YOU LOVE." OR, IF YOU'RE TRANSGENDER, THE FEELING THAT YOU

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1 WERE BORN IN THE WRONG SKIN, AND ALL YOU WANT TO DO IS MAKE IT
2 RIGHT. I'M REALLY HAPPY TO SAY, THOUGH, SOCIETY IS GETTING
3 BETTER AROUND THIS; NOT EACH INDIVIDUAL FAMILY, NOT EACH
4 INDIVIDUAL TOWN, NOT EVEN EACH INDIVIDUAL COUNTY, BUT WE ARE
5 GETTING BETTER. AND I PLEDGE TO YOU THAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE,
6 ESPECIALLY WHO CAME TO TESTIFY AND THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING AND
7 LISTENING, I AM GOING TO PERSONALLY WORK WITH THESE FIVE
8 DEPARTMENTS TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THEY INCORPORATE PEOPLE WITH
9 LIVED EXPERIENCE; THAT IS, YOU, L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH, ON THE
10 PANELS, ON THE DESIGN AREAS, ON ALL OF THE AREAS WHERE WE'RE
11 TALKING ABOUT, "WHAT DO WE DO, AND HOW DO WE MAKE THIS
12 BETTER?" WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET IT TOTALLY RIGHT, BUT WE'RE
13 GOING TO AIM FOR GETTING IT VERY RIGHT. WE'VE BEEN SCARED, ALL
14 OF US, ALL OUR LIVES, FIRST OF COMING OUT-- WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.
15 BUT FORTUNATELY, WE ALWAYS FOUND ONE OR TWO PEOPLE WHO ENDED
16 UP SAYING, "YOU KNOW, I LOVE YOU THE WAY YOU ARE. KEEP GOING.
17 I'LL HELP YOU OUT." YOU MENTION PROGRAMS IN THE LIBRARIES. I
18 DON'T THINK IT'S MUCH OF A SECRET THAT THE HEAD OF OUR COUNTY
19 LIBRARY SYSTEM IS A LESBIAN FORMER FOSTER YOUTH. WHY IS SHE A
20 LIBRARIAN? BECAUSE SHE WENT FROM HOME TO HOME. SHE DIDN'T FEEL
21 SAFE. THE ONLY PLACE SHE FELT SAFE WAS IN THE LIBRARY. SO IT'S
22 A SUCCESS STORY, BUT IT'S ALSO A STORY OF STRUGGLE AND A STORY
23 OF RESILIENCY. AND I'M VERY PROUD OF THIS MOTION. AND IT'S NOT
24 GENERALLY DONE, BUT IF MY COLLEAGUES DON'T MIND, I'D LIKE TO
25 MOVE THIS MOTION, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. IS THERE ANY

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1 OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE? SEEING NONE, LET IT BE
2 RECORDED. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. LET US MOVE, THEN, TO ITEM 4.
3 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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5 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND I THINK THERE'S SOMEONE HERE FROM
6 FIRE THAT I'M GOING TO HAVE A QUICK QUESTION FOR. BUT I FIRST
7 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR THE
8 LEADERSHIP IN SUPPORTING OUR FIRST RESPONDERS, WHO, AS I TELL
9 PEOPLE, ARE OFTEN THE FIRST POINT OF CONTACT WITH OUR HOMELESS
10 POPULATION. I TELL PEOPLE THAT IF YOU WENT OUT AND TALKED TO
11 EITHER OUR PARAMEDICS OR LAW ENFORCEMENT, THEY COULD NAME THE
12 HOMELESS BY NAME; NOT BECAUSE, NECESSARILY, THEY'VE COME IN
13 CONTACT WITH THE LAW OR WITH PARAMEDICS, BUT JUST BECAUSE THEY
14 ARE OUT THERE IN THE COMMUNITY. THEY ARE THE EYES AND EARS ON
15 THE FRONT LINE. THE INDIVIDUALS WHO INTERACT MOST ARE OUR
16 FIRST RESPONDERS, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO
17 PARTNERSHIP WITH THEM, BECAUSE I KNOW THERE'S A PUSH TO NOT
18 MAKE HOMELESSNESS ABOUT CRIMINALIZATION, BUT ABOUT ACTUALLY
19 OFFERING ASSISTANCE AND HELP. MY GOAL IS THAT THE HOST TEAMS
20 WILL SERVE TO ENHANCE COLLABORATION BETWEEN SERVICE PROVIDERS
21 AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS WHO SUPPORT OUR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
22 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE CITY OF
23 POMONA, WHICH-- SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN VERY
24 INVOLVED WITH THE CITY OF POMONA, AND THEY HAVE AGREED TO
25 FACILITATE THE FUNDING OF THESE EFFORTS. WHILE WE ARE

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1 EXPANDING OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS WITH THE HOST TEAMS, IT IS
2 CRITICAL THAT WE ALSO COLLECT DATA TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE
3 INTERACTIONS BETWEEN FIRST RESPONDERS AND THE HOMELESS
4 POPULATION. OUR COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS ARE GREATLY IMPACTED
5 BY THE COUNTY'S HOMELESS CRISIS. IF WE BETTER UNDERSTAND THE
6 IMPACT, WE CAN MORE EFFECTIVELY SERVE THE HOMELESS COMMUNITY.
7 THE DATA WILL BE A STARTING POINT FOR US TO REALLY BEGIN THE
8 EFFORTS, AND REALLY BETTER EQUIP THE COUNTY WITH OUR
9 RESOURCES, AS IT RELATES TO ADDRESSING THE HOMELESS ISSUE. SO
10 I KNOW, DR. KAZAN, YOU'RE HERE, AS WELL AS RICHARDSON-- LISTEN
11 TO ME-- CHIEF RICHARDSON. COULD YOU EXPLAIN HOW THE E.M.S.
12 SYSTEM AND YOUR PERSONNEL ARE IMPACTED BY THE HOMELESS CRISIS
13 RIGHT NOW IN L.A. COUNTY?

14

15 **CHIEF RICHARDSON:** YES, MA'AM. GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR,
16 SUPERVISORS. ON BEHALF OF FIRE CHIEF DARYL OSBY, I APPRECIATE
17 YOU HAVING US HERE TODAY. AS WE KNOW, THE HOMELESS POPULATION
18 INCREASES. AND AS WE KNOW, THERE'S ALSO AN INCREASED NEED FOR
19 HEALTHCARE. AS WE HAVE NOTICED THE PAST COUPLE YEARS, WITH THE
20 INCREASE, AND ARE AWARE THE 911 SYSTEM BECOMES THE DEFAULT
21 HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, AND RESOURCES BECOME A HOSPITAL ON
22 WHEELS. THE INCREASED E.M.S. RESPONSES IMPACT JURISDICTIONS BY
23 NOW RESPONDING THE NEXT CLOSEST RESOURCE, WITH A POTENTIAL
24 INCREASE FOR RESPONSE TIMES IN TIED-UP RESOURCES. THE CALL
25 VOLUME IS NOT GOING DOWN, AS WE'VE WITNESSED OVER THE COURSE

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1 OF THE LAST NUMBER OF YEARS. WE AVERAGE AT A 10-PERCENT
2 INCREASE IN RESPONSES, WHEREAS WE EXPECT TO PUSH PAST THE
3 400,000 CALL NUMBER FOR 2018. WE'VE LOOKED AT, AS WE'LL
4 DISCUSS HERE IN A SECOND, NONTRADITIONAL RESOURCES, AND WE
5 BELIEVE HOST, IN THIS PARTICULAR SITUATION, AS WELL AS A
6 MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE UNIT THAT WE ARE IN THE PROCESS
7 OF LOOKING AT AND BETA-TESTING AS ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY, WILL
8 ASSIST US IN PROVIDING CARE TO THE HOMELESS. I'D LIKE DR.
9 KAZAN TO SHARE A FEW WORDS, AS WELL.

10

11 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** THANK YOU, CHIEF. SO, MY VOICE IS AN
12 AUDIBLE CUE TO EVERYBODY TO GET THEIR FLU SHOTS, IF THEY HAVE
13 NOT ALREADY GOTTEN THEM, SO... ME, TOO. SO, AS EVERYONE IS
14 AWARE, THE HOMELESS POPULATION IS A VERY CHALLENGING PATIENT
15 POPULATION TO WORK WITH, PARTICULARLY FOR OUR E.M.S.
16 PROVIDERS. THEY HAVE REALLY COMPLEX SOCIAL ISSUES. ABOUT 1 OUT
17 OF 5 SUFFER SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS. ABOUT 1 OUT OF 5 HAVE A
18 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER. OFTEN, THOSE ARE COMMINGLED IN THE
19 SAME INDIVIDUALS. THE POPULATION'S GROWING, AS WE'VE ALL
20 NOTICED, AROUND THE COUNTY. AND WITH THAT, WE'VE ALSO HAD
21 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISES WITH THE HEPATITIS "A" OUTBREAK IN THE
22 HOMELESS POPULATIONS, BOTH IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY, LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY, AND SANTA CRUZ. VIOLENCE AGAINST E.M.S. WORKERS IS ON
24 THE RISE, AND WHILE MOST MENTAL HEALTH PATIENTS ARE
25 NONVIOLENT, THE PATIENTS WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS ARE MORE

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1 LIKELY TO BE VIOLENT, AND THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO BE IN THE
2 HOMELESS POPULATION, AS WELL. THIS HOMELESS POPULATION HAS
3 VERY LITTLE ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE. EVEN THOSE THAT ARE COVERED
4 UNDER MEDI-CAL, L.A. CARE, PROGRAMS LIKE THAT, HAVE VERY
5 LITTLE ACCESS TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS, TO KNOW WHO THEIR PRIMARY
6 CARE PROVIDERS ARE, VERY LITTLE ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION. AND
7 IMAGINE HAVING TO NAVIGATE THAT SYSTEM WHILE ALSO DEALING WITH
8 MENTAL HEALTH CRISES AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER. IT WOULD MAKE
9 IT VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE. AND SO WHAT ENDS UP HAPPENING IS THAT
10 THEY UTILIZE THE 911 SYSTEM. AND THE 911 SYSTEM, UNDER OUR
11 CURRENT MODEL, HAS NO OPTIONS BUT TO TRANSPORT THEM TO THE
12 LOCAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. I AM AN EMERGENCY PHYSICIAN, BY
13 BACKGROUND. I'VE WORKED IN THE EMERGENCY ROOMS IN THE COUNTY
14 FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS, AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE EMERGENCY
15 MEDICINE POPULATION'S ALSO GROWING. AND UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE
16 VERY FEW OPTIONS, OTHER THAN PROVIDING WHATEVER CRISIS
17 STABILIZATION WE CAN DO, AND THEN WE RETURN THEM BACK TO THEIR
18 PREVIOUS STATE OF HOMELESSNESS, AND IT BECOMES A CYCLE. AND
19 UNFORTUNATELY, THAT CYCLE DOES NOT RESULT IN GOOD HEALTH
20 OUTCOMES FOR THIS VERY VULNERABLE PATIENT POPULATION. AND
21 UNFORTUNATELY, AS THE POPULATION GROWS, IT JUST LEADS TO
22 INCREASING CALL VOLUME. SO, WHAT I THINK WE NEED TO DO IS WE
23 NEED TO LOOK AT CHANGING THE WHOLE MODEL OF HEALTHCARE
24 DELIVERY, BECAUSE IF WE DON'T, IF WE DON'T LOOK AT HOW WE
25 DELIVER HEALTHCARE TO THIS PATIENT POPULATION, WHAT'S GOING TO

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1 HAPPEN IS THAT THE E.M.S. SYSTEM'S GOING TO BECOME
2 INCREASINGLY TAXED, THE E.R. SYSTEM'S GOING TO BECOME
3 INCREASINGLY TAXED; AND UNFORTUNATELY, THOSE ARE OUR SAFETY-
4 NET SYSTEMS TO TAKE CARE OF US WHEN WE HAVE TRUE HEALTH
5 CRISES. SO, LOOKING AT THE COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLANS OF MAKING
6 INVESTMENTS THAT TRANSFORM LIVES, AND FOSTERING VIBRANT AND
7 RESILIENT COMMUNITIES, LOOKING AT HOW WE DELIVER PRE-HOSPITAL
8 CARE, MEDICAL CARE, TO THIS REALLY VULNERABLE PATIENT
9 POPULATION IS KEY TO BOTH OF THOSE TWO STRATEGIES. SO MY
10 SUGGESTION IS THAT WE LOOK AT A MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE
11 UNIT, AS WE'VE BEEN DOING IN BETA-TESTING UP IN THE ANTELOPE
12 VALLEY. AND THAT PARTICULAR AREA WAS SELECTED BECAUSE IT'S
13 VERY GEOGRAPHICALLY ISOLATED, HAS A HIGH NEED. IT IS ALSO ONE
14 OF THE BUSIEST AREAS FOR THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. WHAT THIS
15 PROVIDES IS ESSENTIALLY A MOBILE URGENT CARE ON WHEELS, THAT
16 CAN GO AND TAKE CARE OF THE MINOR HEALTHCARE NEEDS WHEN
17 THEY'RE THERE, CAN REDIRECT PATIENTS INTO THEIR MEDICAL HOMES.
18 SO IF YOUR PATIENT DOESN'T KNOW WHO THEIR PRIMARY CARE DOCTOR
19 IS, BECAUSE THEY CAN'T ACCESS THE SYSTEM, WE CAN ACCESS IT FOR
20 THEM. WE CAN REACH OUT TO THEIR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS. WE
21 KNOW THE URGENT CARE SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITIES. WE CAN
22 CONNECT THEM WITH THAT. WE CAN DO THINGS LIKE MEDICAL
23 CLEARANCE FOR MENTAL HEALTH, SO THAT ALL MENTAL HEALTH
24 PATIENTS DON'T JUST LAND IN THE LOCAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT,
25 WHICH IS REALLY OVERTAXED WITH MENTAL HEALTH PATIENTS, AND WE

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1 CAN DIRECT PATIENTS TO THE APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF CARE. AND IN
2 DOING SO, WE CAN SAVE OUR E.M.S. RESOURCES FOR WHAT THEY'RE
3 TRULY DESIGNED AND RESOURCED TO DO, WHICH IS TO DEAL WITH THE
4 TRUE HEALTHCARE CRISES. WE CAN HELP GET AMBULANCES OFF THE
5 WALLS OF THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, AND HOPEFULLY ALLOW THE
6 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS A LITTLE BIT MORE CAPACITY TO TAKE CARE
7 OF THE TRUE CRISES THAT THEY'RE REALLY DESIGNED TO DO.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. CAN I ASK A QUESTION REGARDING
10 THAT? BECAUSE I SAW THAT L.A. CITY JUST UNVEILED THEIR SOBER
11 UNIT. I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT, IS THAT DIFFERENT FROM WHAT
12 WE'RE DOING UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY? SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I
13 WERE HAVING A SIDEBAR, AND I'VE TALKED TO PEOPLE UP THERE,
14 ESPECIALLY WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHO HAVE SAID THAT IT
15 HAS BEEN A SUCCESS, BECAUSE 33 IS ONE OF THE BUSIEST, ASIDE
16 FROM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S DISTRICT, THE BUSIEST, I
17 THINK, IN L.A. COUNTY, FOR L.A. COUNTY FIRE. AND IT'S BEEN
18 HELPFUL, BUT THERE STILL NEEDS TO BE MORE. SO I'M TRYING TO
19 FIGURE OUT HOW THIS SOBER UNIT WOULD PLAY OUT FOR L.A. COUNTY.

20

21 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** SO, THE SOBERING UNIT FOR L.A. CITY WILL BE
22 TRANSPORTING PATIENTS TO THE SOBERING CENTER THAT'S NEAR SKID
23 ROW. WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO PARTNER IN THAT PROJECT BECAUSE,
24 UNFORTUNATELY, WE JUST DON'T COVER ANY AREAS CLOSE ENOUGH,
25 GEOGRAPHICALLY, TO THAT SOBERING CENTER, TO BE ABLE TO USE IT.

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1 IF WE WERE TO HAVE A SOBERING CENTER IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY,
2 WHAT THIS UNIT COULD DO IS MEDICALLY EVALUATE AND CLEAR
3 PATIENTS FOR TRANSPORT TO THE SOBERING CENTER, RATHER THAN
4 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS. AS MUCH AS I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT WE
5 PROVIDE REALLY GREAT SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT IN THE EMERGENCY
6 DEPARTMENTS, WE JUST DON'T. WHEN WE GET THESE PATIENTS THAT
7 COME IN, THAT ARE INTOXICATED, WHAT WE DO IS WE SOBER THEM UP
8 JUST ENOUGH THAT THEY ARE SELF-SUFFICIENT AGAIN. IF THEY WANT
9 TREATMENT, WE CAN GIVE THEM PHONE NUMBERS TO CALL, BUT THEY
10 HAVE TO DO IT ON THEIR OWN. THEN THEY RETURN BACK TO THEIR
11 PREVIOUS STATE, AND THEN THEY FREQUENTLY CYCLE THROUGH THE
12 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS. WE HAVE FOLKS THAT COME IN, IN MY
13 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, PROBABLY EVERY OTHER DAY.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I'LL LET SUPERVISOR SOLIS TALK, BUT I JUST
16 HAVE TO SAY TO THE BOARD, THIS DOCTOR HERE, WHEN HE WAS HIRED-
17 - AND I KNOW I EMBARRASS HIM, BUT I WAS CALLED BY INDIVIDUALS
18 WHO SAID THAT WE GOT THE BEST OF THE BEST. AND THERE'S NO
19 QUESTION THAT WHEN IT COMES TO THIS ISSUE, THE INFORMATION
20 THAT YOU'RE GIVING, HE'S A DOCTOR, BUT ALSO SOMEONE WHO
21 UNDERSTANDS E.M.S. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF FIRE. AND WE DO HAVE
22 A JEWEL HERE, AND I'M EXCITED AT THE OPPORTUNITIES MOVING
23 FORWARD, AS THIS MOTION ROLLS OUT. AND THANK YOU, CHIEF.
24 THANKS.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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3 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR
4 PRESENTING THIS MOTION AND ALLOWING ME TO WORK WITH HER ON IT.
5 IT'S SOMETHING THAT IS VERY DEAR AND NEAR TO US. AND I'M VERY
6 DELIGHTED THAT WE'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH FOLKS
7 ALREADY-- LIEUTENANT DEREK, WHO HAS WORKED WITH OUR M.E.T.
8 TEAMS OUT IN THE RIVERBEDS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, TWO
9 YEARS AGO IS WHEN I MET HIM. AND IT STRUCK ME-- AND I'LL SAY
10 IT AGAIN-- WHEN WE WENT OUT IN THE RIVERBEDS, WE SAW HOMELESS
11 PEOPLE THAT THEY KNEW BY NAME. THEY DID NOT RUN FROM US OR THE
12 SHERIFFS OR THE TEAMS. THEY DIDN'T RUN. THEY WALKED TOWARDS
13 US, AND ACTUALLY HAD A CONVERSATION. AND PEOPLE, I THINK,
14 REALLY GOT A SENSE THAT THERE'S A LEVEL OF RESPECT THAT CAN
15 EXIST IN THESE KINDS OF SITUATIONS. SO, TO ME, IT'S VERY
16 IMPORTANT THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OUR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TEAMS
17 HAVE THAT SENSITIVITY AND TRAINING. I KNOW, IN THE CITY OF
18 AZUSA, THAT I ALSO REPRESENT, THEIR POLICE CHIEF AND THEIR
19 TEAMS ARE ALSO WORKING DILIGENTLY, AND THEY'VE ASKED FOR THIS
20 HELP. SO I KNOW THAT IT MAY NOT WORK FOR ALL CITIES, BUT FOR
21 THOSE THAT WANT TO COME FORWARD AND BE A PART OF THIS, TO HELP
22 SOLVE AND HEAL OUR POPULATION IN THE HOMELESS AREA, THEN
23 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT I CERTAINLY WANT TO BE A PART OF. SO I
24 COMMEND SUPERVISOR BARGER AND THE BOARD FOR TAKING ACTION,
25 ALREADY, TO MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING AT

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1 OPENING UP A SOBERING CENTER AT L.A.C.+U.S.C., EVENTUALLY,
2 WHICH I THINK WILL HELP ALLEVIATE. BUT AGAIN, THERE'S SUCH A
3 GREAT NEED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, IN THE SAN GABRIEL AND
4 POMONA VALLEY AREA. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE THIS MORNING.

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6 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MAY I LEND MY
9 VOICE TO COMPLIMENT THE MAKER OF THE MOTION, IN MOVING THIS
10 IMPORTANT EFFORT FORWARD: THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN LAW
11 ENFORCEMENT ENTITIES, TO HELP US IN OUR EFFORT TO
12 SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
13 ANGELES. THE ENTIRE BOARD HAS BEEN LASER-LIKE FOCUSED ON THAT
14 ISSUE, AND WE KNOW HOW DAUNTING IT IS, BUT WE NEED ALL HANDS
15 ON DECK. FIRST RESPONDERS ARE JUST FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT IN
16 THAT REGARD, AND WE NEED TO KEEP LISTENING AND LEARNING FROM
17 YOUR INSIGHTS, AS TO HOW WE CAN DO IT BETTER. THE SOBERING
18 CENTER, AN INNOVATION OF CONSEQUENCE, BUT IT'S DESIGNED TO BE
19 COST-EFFECTIVE, AS WELL AS HUMANE. ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT WE
20 KNOW TO BE TRUE IS THAT THE WAY IN WHICH WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY
21 SOUGHT TO ADDRESS THE HOMELESS CRISIS HAS BEEN LARGELY
22 INEFFECTIVE AND COST-PROHIBITIVE. SOBERING CENTERS HELP US TO
23 HELP THEM, AS WELL AS IT HELPS US TO RELIEVE FIRST RESPONDERS
24 OF THE RESPONSIBILITY OF STAYING THERE HOURS ON END, UNTIL
25 THEY ARE SEEN, ET CETERA, AND IT PUTS THOSE INDIVIDUALS IN THE

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1 HANDS OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE DEVELOPED CORE COMPETENCIES IN THE
2 AREA OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE, SUBSTANCE USE ADDICTIONS, AND THE
3 LIKE; AND RATHER THAN FINDING THEMSELVES ON THE STREETS OF
4 L.A. COUNTY, NAME THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH THERE ARE
5 CONCENTRATIONS. THIS IS AN INTERVENTION THAT MAKES SENSE AND
6 WORKS. IT IS A COLLABORATION IN THE INSTANCE OF SKID ROW,
7 BETWEEN THE COUNTY, WHICH BUILT THE ENTITY AND SERVICES IT
8 WITH SUPPORT STAFF HEALTH PROVIDERS. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
9 DOES ITS WORK, IN TERMS OF THE FIRST RESPONDERS. SO THIS IS A
10 COLLABORATIVE EFFORT, AND IT SEEMS TO ME THIS IS REPLICABLE
11 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. VENICE IS IN THE PLAN, BECAUSE WE KNOW
12 THAT THERE'S A CONCENTRATION OF CRISIS THAT NEEDS TO BE
13 ADDRESSED THERE. YOU'VE HEARD THE OTHER MEMBERS TALK ABOUT
14 VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND SO I THINK, WHEN WE TALK
15 ABOUT MEASURE H, IT SHOULD BE FULLY APPRECIATED THAT THAT IS
16 ANTICIPATED, TO ROLL OUT THESE VARIOUS SOBERING CENTERS; NOT
17 ONLY THE SOBERING CENTERS, BUT THE PSYCHIATRIC URGENT CARE
18 CENTERS, WHICH RELIEVE EMERGENCY ROOMS OF THOSE WHO MAY JUST
19 HAVE GONE THROUGH A FULL-ON PSYCHOTIC BREAK. AND WE HAVE MORE
20 OF THEM. NOW, THEY ARE BOUTIQUE, IN LARGE MEASURE, BUT
21 CONCENTRATED ON PROVIDING THE CARE THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS
22 NEED, IN A COST-EFFECTIVE WAY, AND TO RELIEVE THE EMERGENCY
23 ROOMS THEMSELVES OF THE KIND OF INTENSE IMPACT THAT SUCH
24 PERSONS HAVE IN THOSE ENVIRONMENTS. AND SO I THINK THE PLAN
25 THAT THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE HAS ARTICULATED, AND THE

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1 COMMITTEES THAT WE STOOD UP, BY WAY OF APPOINTMENT, HAVE LAID
2 ALL OF THIS OUT. THESE THINGS ARE IN THE PLAN. IF WE FOLLOW
3 THE PLAN, IF WE WORK THAT PLAN, I THINK WE WILL SEE GOOD
4 RESULTS. SO I WANT TO SALUTE THE MAKER OF THE MOTION YET
5 AGAIN, SUPERVISOR BARGER, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND TO SAY, IF WE
6 STAY THE COURSE, WE'LL GET RESULTS. WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK.
7 WE JUST NEED TO PUSH THIS AS FIRMLY AND AS CAREFULLY, AND NOT
8 BE AFRAID TO INNOVATE IN OUR EFFORTS TO REDUCE HOMELESSNESS
9 AND RESTORE DIGNITY TO THE INDIVIDUALS WHO FIND THEMSELVES IN
10 SUCH PRECARIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES. MADAM CHAIR?

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12 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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14 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I, TOO, SUPPORT WHAT WE'RE
15 DOING HERE, AND IT MAKES COMPLETE SENSE TO TRANSPORT FOLKS TO
16 SOBERING CENTERS AND OUR MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE PLACES, AS
17 OPPOSED TO OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS. HELP ME UNDERSTAND WHY-- IT'S
18 MY UNDERSTANDING, CURRENTLY, UNDER THE LAW, OUR PARAMEDICS
19 CANNOT DO THAT. IN FACT, WE'RE WORKING WITH A STATE LEGISLATOR
20 TO CHANGE THE LAW, SO THAT WE'RE ABLE TO DO THAT. AND YET,
21 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE CITY OF L.A. IS DOING THAT. I
22 UNDERSTAND IT'S A PILOT PROGRAM. WHY IS IT AGAINST THE LAW FOR
23 OUR PARAMEDICS TO TRANSPORT FOLKS, CURRENTLY, TO SOBERING
24 CENTERS AND MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE, AND WHAT'S OUR CHANCE
25 OF CHANGING THE LAW TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN?

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2 **CHIEF RICHARDSON:** YES. THE OVERVIEW IS THE FACT THAT THE STATE
3 STATUTE DOES NOT ALLOW OUR PARAMEDICS TO TRANSPORT TO A
4 SPECIALTY CENTER, WHEREAS THEY CAN ONLY TRANSFER, AT THIS
5 POINT IN TIME, TO THE MOST ACCESSIBLE RECEIVING FACILITY, OR
6 THAT OF A SPECIALTY FACILITY IN THE SENSE OF A TRAUMA CENTER,
7 IF NEED BE. DOCTOR KAZAN CAN PROVIDE A LITTLE BIT MORE IN-
8 DEPTH DETAIL.

9

10 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** YEAH. SO THE CURRENT STATUTE ONLY ALLOWS
11 PARAMEDICS TO TRANSPORT PATIENTS TO AN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT,
12 AND THAT'S IT. THERE ARE NO OTHER OPTIONS. THERE ARE SOME
13 PILOT PROJECTS IN COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE THAT WOULD ALLOW
14 PARAMEDICS, AS A PILOT PROJECT THROUGH THE STATE E.M.S.
15 AUTHORITY, TO BE ABLE TO ASSESS PATIENTS AND TRANSPORT THEM TO
16 ALTERNATIVE DESTINATIONS, BEING EITHER A MENTAL HEALTH URGENT
17 CARE OR A SOBERING CENTER. ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES OF A MOBILE
18 INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE UNIT-- AND THIS IS SOMETHING L.A. CITY
19 TOOK ADVANTAGE OF, AS WELL-- IS BECAUSE IT'S STAFFED WITH WHAT
20 THEY CALL AN ADVANCED PRACTITIONER, WHICH IS EITHER A
21 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR A NURSE PRACTITIONER, THEY ARE NOT HELD
22 TO THE SAME STANDARD AS PARAMEDICS ARE, IN TERMS OF REQUIRING
23 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TRANSPORT. THEY ARE ABLE TO MEDICALLY
24 CLEAR PATIENTS AND CHANGE THEIR DESTINATION. SO WE CAN DO THAT
25 EVEN TODAY.

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2 **SUP. HAHN:** COULD WE DO THAT COUNTYWIDE?

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4 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** I'M SORRY?

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6 **SUP. HAHN:** COULD WE DO THAT COUNTYWIDE?

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8 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** YES.

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10 **SUP. HAHN:** WE COULD JUST HAVE ONE OF THESE FOLKS, WHAT, CALL
11 OUT WITH THE PARAMEDICS, OR RIDE ON THE TRUCK?

12

13 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** THE WAY IT USUALLY WORKS IS, AND THE WAY
14 WE'VE BEEN BETA-TESTING IT, IS THAT THE UNIT LISTENS TO CALLS
15 IN A GIVEN AREA. WE HAVE TRIED PLANTING ONE OF OUR NURSE
16 EDUCATORS IN DISPATCH, TO HELP SCREEN CALLS FOR US, AND THEN
17 WE'RE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FOR UNITS THAT ARE ON SCENE FOR
18 WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS AN APPROPRIATE PATIENT. AS THE SYSTEM
19 MATURES-- AND L.A. CITY IS PROBABLY A YEAR AHEAD OF US ON
20 THIS-- IDEALLY, WE GET OUR DISPATCH PROTOCOLS TO MAP OUT ALL
21 THE WAY TO SENDING JUST A MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH UNIT, AND
22 AVOIDING EMERGENCY RESPONSE WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** AND WITH THE CITY OF L.A. BEING A YEAR OUT,
25 OUTCOMES ARE WHAT WE ASSUME THEY WOULD BE? BETTER?

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2 **DR. CLAYTON KAZAN:** SO, THEIR OUTCOMES AREN'T PUBLISHED, AS OF
3 YET, BUT FROM WHAT THEY'VE REPORTED TO US, YES, THE OUTCOMES
4 ARE VERY STRONG.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, I MEAN, I HEAR YOU, BUT TO ME, IT'S JUST
7 COMMON SENSE THAT, PARTICULARLY WITH WHAT THE NATURE OF MOST
8 OF OUR CALLS ARE, PARTICULARLY WITH OUR HOMELESS POPULATION,
9 THAT IT WOULD JUST MAKE SENSE TO ALLOW THE PARAMEDICS TO DO
10 THAT. AGAIN, I THINK WE HAVE-- ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE GIPSON IS
11 CARRYING THIS LEGISLATION, BUT WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF
12 PUSHBACK. APPARENTLY, EMERGENCY ROOM DOCTORS DON'T LIKE THIS
13 IDEA. I THINK NURSES ARE GOING TO BE AGAINST IT. OF COURSE, IT
14 REMINDS ME OF THE PARAMEDIC BATTLE THAT MY DAD FOUGHT IN THE
15 LATE 60S. EVERYONE WAS AGAINST THE IDEA OF FIREFIGHTERS
16 ACTUALLY PROVIDING MEDICAL TREATMENT. EVERYONE WAS AGAINST
17 THAT, TOO. SO I THINK WE JUST ALL NEED TO BE READY. IF WE
18 BELIEVE IN THIS-- AND I KNOW I DO-- WE NEED TO BE PREPARED TO
19 REALLY LOBBY IN SACRAMENTO, AND BE WILLING TO GO UP AGAINST
20 SOME PRETTY HEAVY HITTERS, IN TERMS OF WHAT WE THINK IS THE
21 BEST TREATMENT FOR OUR HOMELESS POPULATION, AND A BETTER USE
22 OF OUR RESOURCES. OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS ARE COMPLETELY
23 OVERCROWDED. AND AS YOU SAID, THEY JUST CYCLE BACK. SO I LIKE
24 THE IDEA OF TRYING TO CHANGE THE MAKEUP OF WHO ROLLS OUT ON
25 THE CALL, TO SORT OF CIRCUMVENT THAT, BUT I THINK WE OUGHT TO

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1 CHANGE THE LAW AND LEGALLY ALLOW OUR PARAMEDICS TO MAKE THAT
2 DECISION. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, I ACTUALLY DID NOT KNOW THAT, AND THAT
7 EXPLAINS THE SOBERING UNIT. AND I AGREE, AND I'D ACTUALLY LIKE
8 TO ASK THAT BE ONE OF THE PRIORITIES THAT THE BOARD TACKLES.
9 BECAUSE, UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S PLENTY OF BUSINESS TO GO
10 AROUND IN THE EMERGENCY ROOMS. IF YOU GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM
11 IN HUNTINGTON RIGHT NOW, IT IS JUST OVER THE TOP, AND SO THERE
12 IS PLENTY OF WORK TO GO AROUND. BUT SOMETHING THAT PIQUED MY
13 INTEREST: YOU KNOW, WE TALK ABOUT THE URGENT CARE. AND ASIDE
14 FROM THE SOBER, THE URGENT CARE, ESPECIALLY TARGETING THE
15 MENTAL HEALTH, THE HOURS OF OPERATION ARE OF CONCERN TO ME.
16 BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK AT THE TERM "URGENT CARE," HOURS ARE
17 IMPORTANT. AND I DON'T KNOW, BUT I'M TOLD ANECDOTALLY THAT A
18 LOT OF THE MENTAL HEALTH CALLS ARE COMING AFTER HOURS. IT'S
19 NOT DURING THE DAY. AND YET, OUR URGENT CARE CENTER, AT LEAST
20 AT OLIVE VIEW, I THINK ONLY OPERATES DURING DAYTIME HOURS. SO
21 I THINK THAT WE NEED TO-- WELL, IT'S NOT IN THE EVENING, IS
22 WHAT I'M TOLD. IT GOES TO 8:00. WELL, OKAY. I'M BEING TOLD TWO
23 DIFFERENT THINGS. BUT HAVING SAID THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
24 SURE THAT WE, WITH OUR URGENT CARE CENTERS, ARE SENSITIVE TO
25 THE FIRST RESPONDERS THAT WANT TO USE THAT AS AN OPPORTUNITY

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1 TO DIVERT FROM AN EMERGENCY ROOM TO AN URGENT CARE CENTER, SO
2 THAT THEY CAN TRIAGE AND DETERMINE WHETHER THEY, IN FACT, NEED
3 TO BE EITHER 5150 HOSPITALIZED OR LINKED TO SERVICES IN THE
4 COMMUNITY. AND I THINK WE NEED TO BE SENSITIVE THAT THIS IS
5 NOT A 9-TO-5, OR EVEN A 9-TO-8. MANY OF THEM MAY COME AT 1 OR
6 2 IN THE MORNING. SO WE NEED TO BE COGNIZANT OF THAT, AS WELL.
7 SO I WOULD ASK THAT WE LOOK AT THAT.

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9 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, A COUPLE OF OBSERVATIONS, THE
12 FIRST OF WHICH IS, TO THE EXTENT THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN AND
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER HAVE BOTH LOCKED IN ON THE POINT THAT WE
14 NEED TO HAVE LEGISLATIVE INTERVENTION HERE, IT SEEMS TO ME
15 THAT IT'S APPROPRIATE TO OFFER A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT
16 BEGINS THAT BALL ROLLING, IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ITEM THAT'S
17 BEFORE US, IF THAT'S ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD. I THINK WE
18 SHOULD NOT DELAY. THE SECOND POINT THAT I WANT TO MAKE IS, THE
19 COUNTY IS DEEPLY EMBEDDED IN THE WORK OF THE SOBERING CENTERS.
20 WERE IT NOT FOR THE COUNTY SUPPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES
21 AND THE LIKE IN THE SOBERING CENTER, THE SIGNOFF THAT TAKES
22 PLACE FOR THE FIRST RESPONDERS COULD NOT HAPPEN, THEREFORE
23 FACILITATING WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO
24 THAT SYSTEMWIDE. THE POINT THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER MAKES,
25 REGARDING HOURS OF OPERATION FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE

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1 CENTERS, WE NEED TO STRIKE A CHORD OF UNIFORMITY, BECAUSE NOT
2 ALL OF THEM FUNCTION IN THE SAME WAY. THEY'RE UNDER DIFFERENT
3 OPERATIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, OLIVE VIEW IS DIFFERENT FROM M.L.K.,
4 AND THEY'RE DIFFERENT OPERATORS. AND SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
5 TO HAVE A UNIFORMITY, AND PART OF THAT IS 24-HOUR OPERATION,
6 SO THAT FIRST RESPONDERS CAN CAUSE THAT TO BE THE CASE WHEN
7 THEY ACCESS THOSE FACILITIES. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE HAVE A
8 LOT OF WORK TO DO, AND WE'RE LEARNING A LOT AS WE GO. BUT THE
9 GOOD NEWS IS THAT WE ARE DOING THE WORK, AND RESULTS ARE
10 BEGINNING TO SHOW UP. THIS MOTION HIGHLIGHTS THAT, AND I'M
11 PLEASED, AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR, TO SUPPORT IT.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL. MY TURN. AS YOU
14 PROBABLY REMEMBER, OR MAYBE NOT, I WAS NOT REAL ENTHUSIASTIC
15 ABOUT USING MEASURE H MONEY FOR FIRST RESPONDERS. AND WE'VE
16 ACHIEVED, I THINK, A GRAND COMPROMISE. AND THIS MOTION IS
17 REALLY RELATED TO THOSE CITIES WHO ARE NOT L.A. SHERIFF OR
18 L.A.P.D., AND HOW THEY WILL BE ABLE TO WORK TO USE A MILLION
19 DOLLARS THAT WE PUT IN FOR THEIR USE, IN TERMS OF THEIR FIRST
20 RESPONDERS. I HAVE SOME CONCERN WHICH I THINK IS NOT TOTALLY
21 WITHIN YOUR PURVIEW, BUT I SIMPLY WANT TO RAISE IT. OUR
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS ADOPTED A POLICY THAT SAYS
23 HOMELESSNESS, IN AND OF ITSELF, IS NOT A CRIME, ESSENTIALLY.
24 AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THOSE CITIES WHO ARE CONSIDERED FOR
25 THIS FUNDING TO BE SCRUTINIZED, AT LEAST, IN TERMS OF THEIR

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1 OWN APPROACHES TO THIS. BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF DIFFERENT
2 THINGS THAT WE TALKED ABOUT HERE TODAY, AND THE MAIN THING IS
3 THE KIND OF ONE-ON-ONE THAT HAPPENS WHEN A FIRST RESPONDER IS
4 CALLED AND CONTACTS A PERSON WHO IS HOMELESS. NOT EVERY PERSON
5 WHO IS HOMELESS IS APPROPRIATE FOR A SOBERING CENTER AT THAT
6 MOMENT. THEY MAY NOT BE DRUNK OR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF
7 SOMETHING. NOT EVERY HOMELESS PERSON HAS A MEDICAL NEED, ONE
8 THAT'S IDENTIFIED SUFFICIENTLY THAT YOU COULD SAY, "WHETHER
9 YOU WANT ME TO OR NOT, I'M TAKING YOU TO, WHATEVER, AN
10 EMERGENCY ROOM." AND I THINK THE IMPORTANT PART IS FOR US TO
11 MOVE FORWARD IN TRYING TO BRING TOGETHER INFORMATION ON HOW
12 EACH KIND OF CASE CAN BE ADDRESSED, BECAUSE SOBERING CENTERS
13 ARE A WONDERFUL IDEA. TRY TO SITE ONE. IT'S NOT EASY. WE CAN'T
14 EVEN SITE AFFORDABLE HOUSING THESE DAYS WITHIN A TWO-YEAR
15 TIMEFRAME, BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF OUTCRY ABOUT PEOPLE NOT
16 WANTING "THOSE KIND OF PEOPLE" BROUGHT IN. AND WITH THE
17 SOBERING CENTER, ESSENTIALLY, IT'S NOT A JAIL. SO WE'RE
18 SAYING, "WE'D LIKE TO HELP YOU GET SOME SERVICES. WE'D LIKE TO
19 HELP YOU GET SOME HELP. BUT WE CAN'T KEEP YOU HERE." AND SO IN
20 THE MORNING, OR SOMETIMES WHENEVER THEY'RE READY TO LEAVE,
21 THEY SAY, "THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BYE-BYE. I'M WALKING OUTSIDE."
22 AND NEIGHBORS SAY, "WE'RE NOT REAL HOT FOR THAT." SO WE HAVE
23 TO DO OUR PART, AS WELL, I THINK, IN EDUCATING COMMUNITIES
24 ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS, IN EDUCATING COMMUNITIES ON,
25 "LOOK, THIS PERSON'S ON YOUR STREET RIGHT NOW. WHY DON'T YOU

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1 HELP US HELP THEM?" SO I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION. I THINK,
2 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR SUGGESTION THAT WE AMEND IT,
3 ALTHOUGH IT WOULD BE CERTAINLY UP TO THE AUTHOR, TO DO
4 SOMETHING ABOUT LEGISLATION, IF THE AMENDMENT IS TO EXPLORE
5 LEGISLATION THAT MIGHT BE PRESENTED, SO THAT WE CAN LOOK AND
6 SEE WHAT IT REALLY SAYS, I WOULD FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE THAN
7 JUST SAYING YES TO WHATEVER A PERSON IS DOING.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU INTERPRET MY INTENT CORRECTLY.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO THE AMENDMENT THAT'S RECOMMENDED,
12 AND I THINK ACCEPTED, BY THE TWO AUTHORS IS TO EXPLORE
13 LEGISLATION CURRENTLY BEING PROPOSED, OR THAT WE MAY LIKE TO
14 SEE PROPOSED, RELATED TO THE ABILITY OF OUR-- RIGHT, BUT IT
15 MAY NOT BE SUFFICIENT, IN A WAY. I THINK WE OUGHT TO TAKE A
16 LOOK AT THAT BILL. BUT LET'S LOOK AT THE BILL BEFORE WE SAY
17 WE'RE IN FAVOR OF THE BILL TODAY. IS THAT OKAY?

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** YES.

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21 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. I'D LIKE TO LOOK AT IT. BUT, I MEAN,
22 IT DOESN'T HOLD IT UP TOO MUCH. IT'S ONLY JANUARY 9TH, AND
23 THEY'RE NOT DOING ANYTHING ON THIS BILL YET. SO THE OTHER
24 THING REALLY IS, I'M NOT CERTAIN HOW WE MOVE FORWARD, BUT I'LL
25 HOPEFULLY DISCUSS WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER HOW WE CAN LOOK AT

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1 THESE DIFFERENT CONNECTIONS THAT OUR FIRST RESPONDERS MAKE.
2 THEY'RE NOT ALL FIREFIGHTERS. THEY'RE NOT ALL SUPERBLY
3 TRAINED. I'M JUST SAYING, IT COULD BE THE PERSON WHO IS ON THE
4 BEAT AND COMES IN CONTACT. SO I THINK WE WANT TO KEEP MOVING
5 FORWARD, BECAUSE THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO DO HAVE FIRST
6 CONTACT, AND IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE DO THIS. SO I THANK
7 YOU VERY MUCH. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES? THANKS
8 SO MUCH TO THE WITNESSES, AND LET US CALL THOSE WHO'VE ASKED
9 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

10

11 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** FOUR INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN
12 REQUESTED TO PRESENT INFORMATION TO THE BOARD ON THIS ITEM.
13 WOULD THE FOLLOWING FOUR INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN
14 I CALL YOUR NAME, AND STAFF WILL DIRECT YOU: RICHARD CORRAL,
15 FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSORTIUM ON HOMELESSNESS; CHRIS
16 BARRERAS, FROM VET HUNTERS; CAPTAIN MIKE BERTELSEN, FROM AZUSA
17 POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND ANTHONY CATANESE, FROM POMONA POLICE
18 DEPARTMENT.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. 3 MINUTES FOR EACH PRESENTER, AS
21 WE HAD WITH THE LAST ITEM. SO, ANYONE MAY BEGIN. GO AHEAD.

22

23 **MIKE BERTELSEN:** GOOD MORNING. I'M CAPTAIN MIKE BERTELSEN, FROM
24 THE AZUSA POLICE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO
25 ALLOW US TO COME IN AND PROVIDE SOME WORDS OF GRATITUDE AND

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1 SUPPORT TO SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS AND THE REST OF THE
2 BOARD, IN FORMING THE NEW HOST TEAMS IN L.A. COUNTY. IN AZUSA,
3 WE HAVE EXPERIENCED A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE HOMELESS
4 POPULATION OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND WE ARE A SMALL
5 AGENCY. HOWEVER, WE FELT THE NEED TO FORM A H.A.L.O. TEAM,
6 WHICH IS A HOMELESS ASSISTANCE LIAISON OFFICER TEAM, WHICH IS
7 A COLLATERAL DUTY FOR OUR PATROL FOLKS. AND THE INTENT WAS TO
8 GO OUT AND PROVIDE RESOURCES AND HELP TO OUR HOMELESS
9 POPULATION, BECAUSE WE CAN'T ARREST OURSELVES OR ARREST OUR
10 WAY OUT OF THE PROBLEM THAT WE'VE BEEN EXPERIENCING. AND OUR
11 IDEA IS TO PROVIDE RESOURCES ON THE FRONT END TO REDUCE OUR
12 CALLS FOR SERVICE ON THE BACK END. WE HAVE HAD SUCCESS IN THAT
13 PROGRAM, AND BEEN ABLE TO PLACE LONGTIME HOMELESS INTO HOUSING
14 RESOURCES SUCCESSFULLY, SO MUCH SO THAT LAST YEAR, WE
15 REGIONALIZED THAT H.A.L.O. TEAM WITH OTHER NEIGHBORING
16 AGENCIES, INCLUDING L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.
17 THAT TEAM CONTINUES THEIR WORK, AND WITH THE FUNDING THAT
18 WE'VE NOW GOT THROUGH THE BOARD, THE HOST TEAMS WILL HOPEFULLY
19 BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THAT EFFORT, AS WELL, THROUGHOUT THE
20 COUNTY. SEVERAL OF THE AGENCIES THAT PARTICIPATE IN HOMELESS
21 PROGRAMS HAVE ALREADY COME TOGETHER, BEGUN PUTTING TOGETHER A
22 TRAINING PROGRAM FOR BEST PRACTICES ON HOW TO PROVIDE OUTREACH
23 AND RESOURCES TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION. AND OUR HOPE IS TO
24 BETTER INTEGRATE OURSELVES INTO MEASURE H, BECAUSE, REALLY,

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1 OUR MISSION IS THE SAME: WE NEED TO PROVIDE HELP AND RESOURCES
2 TO THOSE THAT ARE IN NEED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **RICHARD XAVIER CORRAL:** GOOD MORNING.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

9

10 **RICHARD XAVIER CORRAL:** SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS RICHARD XAVIER
11 CORRAL, AND I AM THE LEAD CONSULTANT AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF
12 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSORTIUM ON HOMELESSNESS.
13 HOMELESSNESS, AS YOU KNOW, IS A UNIQUE ISSUE THAT REQUIRES A
14 UNIQUE RESPONSE; NAMELY, A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH THAT
15 COORDINATES AT THE S.P.A. LEVEL. COORDINATION AT THE S.P.A.
16 LEVEL IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE HOMELESSNESS IS A REGIONAL ISSUE
17 THAT TRANSCENDS TRADITIONAL MUNICIPAL JURISDICTIONS, AND NEEDS
18 TO BE PLANNED AND IMPLEMENTED AS SUCH. THEREFORE, THE SAN
19 GABRIEL VALLEY CONSORTIUM CONVENED A DIVERSE LEADERSHIP TEAM
20 THAT INCLUDES DEPUTIES FROM SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND BARGER'S
21 OFFICES, REPRESENTATIVES FROM MEASURE H, L.A.H.S.A., THE SAN
22 GABRIEL VALLEY C.O.G., OUR COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM LEADS,
23 HEALTHCARE, AND OF COURSE, LAW ENFORCEMENT. FIRST RESPONDERS
24 ARE ESSENTIAL TO AN EFFECTIVE RESPONSE TO HOMELESSNESS. LAW
25 ENFORCEMENT IS ONE OF THREE KEY FIRST RESPONDERS, THAT ALSO

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1 INCLUDE HEALTHCARE-- THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM-- AS WELL AS
2 SCHOOLS. TO THIS END, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSORTIUM IS
3 PROUD TO PARTNER WITH OFFICER KYLE BAILEY OF AZUSA POLICE
4 DEPARTMENT, WHO'S COORDINATING LAW ENFORCEMENT'S RESPONSE
5 ACROSS NUMEROUS MUNICIPALITIES THROUGHOUT S.P.A. 3, SUCH AS
6 THE H.A.L.O. PROGRAM THAT WE HEARD JUST DISCUSSED RIGHT NOW.
7 THE CONSORTIUM'S PARTNERSHIP WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT HAS ALREADY
8 PRODUCED DEMONSTRABLE RESULTS AND ACTIONS AROUND SERVICE
9 REFERRAL, DATA SHARING, AND EDUCATION AROUND HOMELESSNESS. THE
10 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSORTIUM IS PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION,
11 SO THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT IS EMPOWERED TO LEAD, RESPOND TO, AND
12 BETTER SERVE HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15

16 **CHRIS BARRERAS:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CHRIS
17 BARRERAS. I AM A MILITARY VETERAN, AND NOW CONTINUE MY MISSION
18 WITH VOLUNTEER AND OUTREACH IN MY COMMUNITY. I REPRESENT THE
19 VET HUNTERS PROJECT. THE REASON WHY I'M HERE TODAY IS TO
20 SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. WHAT CAN BE SAID THAT HASN'T BEEN SAID
21 ALREADY, WITH ALL THESE PEOPLE? SO I JUST WANT TO REITERATE
22 REALLY QUICK WHAT CAN TAKE PLACE. THIS WILL PROVIDE THE
23 NECESSARY RESOURCES FOR OUR FIRSTHAND RESPONDERS TO HANDLE
24 SITUATIONS. IT WILL PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING THAT THEY
25 WILL NEED, SO WHEN THEY ARE ON CALL AND ON SITE TO HELP WITH

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1 THE SPECIAL NEEDS OF THE POPULATION. ALL I COULD SAY IS, OUR
2 ORGANIZATION, THE GOAL OF OUR ORGANIZATION, IS TO NOT BE
3 NEEDED. WE HOPE THAT WE WON'T BE NEEDED OUT THERE. AND THIS
4 CAN HELP AND GROW, AND ORGANIZATIONS LIKE US WON'T BE NEEDED
5 OUT THERE. SO I THINK THAT'S THE END GOAL FOR US, IS TO NOT BE
6 NEEDED, AND HAVE THESE MEASURES SUPPORT OUR POPULATION. THANK
7 YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT PRESENTER,
10 PLEASE.

11

12 **ANTHONY CATANESE:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME TODAY.
13 I AM ANTHONY CATANESE. I'M A SERGEANT WITH THE POMONA POLICE
14 DEPARTMENT. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I'M HERE TO REPRESENT THE
15 CITY OF POMONA AND THE POMONA POLICE DEPARTMENT IN AGREEANCE
16 THAT WE ARE IN FAVOR OF THIS AGENDA ITEM. A LITTLE BIT ABOUT
17 ME AND MY ASSIGNMENT AND MY DUTIES WITH THE CITY OF POMONA: I
18 AM ASSIGNED TO THE H.E.A.R.T. TEAM, AND THAT STANDS FOR
19 HOMELESS ENCAMPMENT ACTION RESPONSE TEAM. WE'VE BEEN HAVING
20 THIS PROGRAM IN PLAY FOR APPROXIMATELY A YEAR AND A HALF, AND
21 I'VE HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING ON THIS TEAM FOR ABOUT A YEAR
22 NOW. I HAVE A DEVOTED TEAM THAT GOES OUT AND WILL OFFER
23 RESOURCES TO OUR HOMELESS COMMUNITY, WHICH THEY ARE A PART OF
24 OUR COMMUNITY, AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT. AND PART OF THE
25 RESOURCES THAT WE DO PROVIDE TO THEM IS EITHER HOUSING THAT IS

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1 A 24/7 HOUSING OPERATION, THAT IS NEAR OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT,
2 BUT WE ALSO OFFER RESOURCES FOR MENTAL HEALTH, WHICH IS
3 ANOTHER ARM OF THE H.E.A.R.T. TEAM. WE HAVE A D.M.H. WORKER
4 THAT WORKS WITH ONE OF MY ASSIGNED OFFICERS, AND THEY'LL GO
5 OUT ROUTINELY, PROVIDING SERVICES TO OUR HOMELESS COMMUNITY
6 THAT HAVE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. SO IF I SOUND PASSIONATE ABOUT
7 THIS, AND I'M GRATEFUL FOR THIS AGENDA ITEM, I THANK YOU, AND
8 SO DOES OUR POLICE CHIEF.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
11 WILL YOU CALL THOSE WHO'VE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE HAVE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE
14 PUBLIC WHO'VE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. WOULD THE
15 FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD: DARRELL KRUSE, ERIC
16 PREVEN, JOHN WALSH, RED CHIEF HUNT, AND REVEREND DR. MELLO
17 DESIRE.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

20

21 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE
22 THIRD DISTRICT, AND I REVERE OUR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS, IN
23 GENERAL, OBVIOUSLY; I THINK WE ALL DO. AND IT'S BEEN A VERY
24 TOUGH SEASON, WITH THOSE EXTREMELY HIGH WINDS, AND HERE WE'RE
25 TALKING ABOUT INTERFACING WITH PEOPLE EXPERIENCING

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1 HOMELESSNESS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. AND I APPRECIATE
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW THAT MONEY IS BEING
3 SPENT. FORTUNATELY, THE FISCAL AGENT IS AN EXCELLENT GROUP.
4 THE CITY OF POMONA FOLKS ARE EXCELLENT AT THE MILLION, SO
5 THEY'LL OBVIOUSLY SPEND THAT MONEY APPROPRIATELY. THE THING
6 ABOUT GETTING PEOPLE WHO REACH OUT VIA 911 OR OTHER WAYS TO
7 THE APPROPRIATE CENTERS IS A KEY DETAIL, AND I APPRECIATE
8 SUPERVISOR HAHN'S COMMENTS ON THAT, AS WELL. AND THERE'S A
9 TIMELINESS ISSUE. YOU WANT TO TRY TO MAKE A DECISION. FIRE
10 DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS ARE ALSO TRYING TO MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT
11 THE CAUSE OF THE FIRES, AND SO ON AND SO FORTH, SO TO
12 ELIMINATE SOME OF THAT RED TAPE WOULD BE GREAT. ONE OF THE
13 SITUATIONS THAT WE HAD IN OUR COUNTY RECENTLY, IMPACTING, I
14 THINK, SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S DISTRICT, MOSTLY, WAS THE SKIRBALL
15 FIRE. AND IN THAT CASE, THERE WAS A DETERMINATION MADE,
16 UNFORTUNATELY-- A PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION-- BUT TRY TELLING
17 THAT TO THE REST OF THE WORLD, BECAUSE IT WEPT AROUND IN THE
18 MEDIA AFTER THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MADE A PRELIMINARY
19 DETERMINATION THAT IT MAY HAVE BEEN A COOKING FIRE. SO THAT
20 WAS HEARTBREAKING DURING THE HOLIDAYS, AS 58,000 PEOPLE WHO
21 MAY BE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WERE SUDDENLY CAST IN A LIGHT
22 THAT WAS UPSETTING. AND NO GOOD CRISIS, OBVIOUSLY, SHOULD GO
23 TO WASTE. THERE HAS BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL ROLLOUT, NO THANKS TO
24 THE MEDIA'S ROLE THERE, I THINK, THAT SOME OF THOSE FACTS WERE
25 NOT REALLY NAILED DOWN. I DID A LITTLE INVESTIGATION MYSELF

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1 AND COULDN'T GET ANYBODY, REALLY, TO CONFIRM, BEYOND THAT
2 PRELIMINARY THING. SO, YOU KNOW, WHEN WE'RE ROUTING THESE
3 PEOPLE, WE SHOULD ROUTE THEM TO... SOBERING CENTER IS A GREAT
4 IDEA, BUT IT'S A TERRIBLE THING TO CALL IT. WE SHOULD COME UP
5 WITH A NICER BRAND. BECAUSE AS YOU POINTED OUT, NOBODY WANTS
6 THAT IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD POINT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT
9 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

10

11 **DARRELL KRUSE:** HELLO. I AM DARRELL KRUSE. ON DECEMBER 25TH,
12 2005, I CO-FOUNDED PHARMACIST REMEDIES MINISTRY IN POMONA.
13 WE'RE A MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY. IN 2007, WE WERE
14 ADMONISHED FOR GIVING FOOD AND MONEY TO THE HOMELESS. WE WERE
15 TOLD TO DISCONTINUE THAT. WE WERE TRYING TO WORK WITH THE
16 COMMUNITY. THEY SAID IT WOULD ONLY DRAW MORE, SO WE HAD TO
17 STOP IT. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** HI.

20

21 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** HI.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

24

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1 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** THANK YOU. SO, THIS IS VERY
2 INTERESTING. THERE ARE TWO PARTS, TWO ANSWERS, TO THIS AGENDA.
3 ONE OF THEM IS E.C.P.R. CURRENTLY, DANIEL FISHER IS GIVING A
4 COURSE, AND IT'S VERY CRUCIAL THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT, AS WELL AS
5 EMERGENCY EMPLOYEES, TAKE THIS COURSE. EMOTIONAL C.P.R.
6 BASICALLY BREAKS DOWN THE WALLS OF WHAT CAUSES A TRAUMA. JUST
7 BECAUSE YOU'RE WEARING A UNIFORM AND YOU'RE NOT IN FRONT,
8 RECEIVING SERVICES, YOU'RE GIVING SERVICES, IT'S MORE CRUCIAL
9 THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT MENTAL STATE. AND THE ONLY WAY TO DO
10 THAT IS TO REALLY HONE INTO ISSUES THAT MAY AFFECT YOU WHILE
11 YOU ARE INTERACTING WITH PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ISSUES AND
12 HOMELESSNESS. THERE'S MONEY THAT'S NOT GOING INTO THE RIGHT
13 PLACES, AS WE ALREADY KNOW, OR ELSE HOMELESSNESS WOULD NOT BE
14 A NUMBER-ONE ISSUE IN L.A. WHAT WE DO NEED IS TO HAVE MEASURE
15 H FUNDING SPECIFICALLY GOING INTO AGENDAS LIKE THIS. WE NEED
16 NOT ONLY TRAINING FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT, AS WELL AS 911
17 EMERGENCY RESPONSE EMPLOYEES, BUT TO REALLY HAVE
18 ACCOUNTABILITY ISSUES ADDRESSED. IF WE KNOW THAT THESE
19 SOBERING CENTERS ARE NOT BEING FUNDED, IF THEY'RE BEING
20 UNDERSTAFFED, IF THEY'RE BEING OVERWORKED, IF THEY'RE WORKING
21 LONG HOURS, AND THEY'RE NOT GETTING PAID A REASONABLE AMOUNT
22 OF THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE-- AND A LOT OF THESE EMPLOYEES ARE
23 ONE STEP TO HOMELESSNESS, THEMSELVES. YOU GUYS REALLY GOT TO
24 STEP UP AND GIVE THAT MEASURE H MONEY TOWARDS THESE
25 ORGANIZATIONS THAT NEED IT. IF YOU KNOW THERE'S A NEED AND

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1 IT'S NOT GOING THERE, PUTTING THIS ON THE AGENDA AND TALKING
2 ABOUT IT IS A WASTE OF PEOPLE'S TIME. THIS IS NOT WHAT 2018,
3 THE CONSTITUENTS OF L.A. COUNTY, WANT TO BE DEALING WITH. THAT
4 HAS BEEN LEFT IN THE PAST, AND WE WANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH
5 RESOURCES THAT WORK, AND E.C.P.R. IS ONE OF THEM. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** THANK YOU. THE RED CHIEF HUNT. LET'S GET DOWN
10 TO THE BOTTOM LINE OF IT. WHY ARE PEOPLE CALLING 911 FOR
11 SERVICES? AND NUMBER ONE, THE HOMELESS. I STARTED HERE, FROM
12 GROUND ZERO. THE HOMELESS PEOPLE ARE CALLING THE 911 THINGS.
13 NUMBER ONE IS, LET'S STOP THE COLLUSION AND THE CONFUSION.
14 THEY'RE CALLING THEM BECAUSE THEY'RE HUNGRY. THEY DON'T HAVE
15 NOTHING TO EAT. THEY GO TO THE HOSPITALS TO GET REVITALIZED,
16 AND THINGS LIKE THAT. THAT'S THE BEGINNING. THAT'S WHERE IT
17 STARTS AT. WILL THE SOBER CENTERS, OR WHETHER THERE'S FOOD
18 THAT THE MENTALLY ILL, OR WHATEVER YOU CALL THEM, OR HOWEVER
19 YOU WANT TO REFRAME IT, IS BECAUSE THEY'RE CALLING 911 BECAUSE
20 THEY'RE HUNGRY. THEY DON'T HAVE NO FOOD. THEY RAN OUT OF
21 DRUGS, AND ALL THIS OTHER STUFF. THAT'S FROM GROUND ZERO. NOW,
22 HOW DO YOU GUYS MAKE THAT HAPPEN? I LIKE JANICE HAHN AND I
23 LIKE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S IDEA ON THAT. YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH
24 CONGRESS TO FIGURE IT OUT. BUT FIGURING IT OUT IS BY FEEDING
25 THEM, AND THAT WILL STOP THE PROBLEM.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THOSE ARE ALL THE
3 SPEAKERS WHO'VE ASKED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR
4 BARGER, DID YOU WANT TO CLOSE, OR SHALL WE SIMPLY READ OUT THE
5 AMENDMENT AND VOTE?

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. I JUST WANT TO GET A CLARIFICATION ON WHAT
8 THE AMENDMENT'S GOING TO BE, AS IT RELATES TO THE LEGISLATION,
9 BUT I'M READY TO VOTE.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** MADAM E.O., WOULD YOU READ THE AMENDMENT?

12

13 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS IS TO DIRECT THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES TO
15 EXPLORE LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW PARAMEDICS TO TRANSPORT
16 INDIVIDUALS TO EMERGENCY ROOMS, SOBERING CENTERS, OR RELATED
17 CARE FACILITIES.

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19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. SECONDED
20 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, WE'LL
21 RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. ALL RIGHT. LET US MOVE TO ITEM 6,
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO
25 THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR ITS WORK OVER THE

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1 PAST YEARS ON PREVENTING TEENAGE PREGNANCY. BUT HOWEVER, AS WE
2 KNOW, SOMETIMES THIS ISSUE REQUIRES A LOT MORE WORK. I'D LIKE
3 TO SAY, IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR KIDS, SO MUCH
4 BECAUSE OF WHAT OUR CHILDREN LEARN AND WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM
5 WHILE THEY'RE AT SCHOOL. THAT'S WHY I AM PLEASED TO INTRODUCE
6 THIS MOTION TO ENSURE CONTINUED FUNDING TO HELP PROVIDE THE
7 PREVENTION OF TEENAGE PREGNANCY ACROSS SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTY.
8 THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES' OFFICE OF
9 ADOLESCENT HEALTH RECENTLY DECIDED TO TERMINATE FUNDING FOR
10 TEENAGE PREGNANCY PREVENTION, TWO YEARS EARLY. THE FUNDING
11 PROMOTES, AS YOU KNOW, ACCESS TO SEX EDUCATION, RESOURCES TO
12 PREVENT S.T.D.S, AND INCREASING PROGRAMMING FOR SCHOOL NURSES
13 AND CLINICS TO ADDRESS ADOLESCENT CARE AND HEALTH. IF THE
14 PROGRAM IS TERMINATED, L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES
15 WITH THE HIGHEST TEEN BIRTH AND TEEN S.T.D. RATES WILL LOSE
16 APPROXIMATELY \$4 MILLION TO HELP PROVIDE FOR PREVENTION. THE
17 CUTS, AS YOU KNOW, ARE CONTRARY TO SCIENCE, COMMON SENSE, AND
18 TO THE REALITIES OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY. WE MUST
19 STOP THESE CUTS, AND THEREFORE I AM PUTTING FORWARD THIS
20 MOTION, SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A REPORT-BACK, AND AGAIN CONTINUE
21 TO HAVE OUR DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT. THANK YOU,
22 MADAM CHAIR.

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. PLEASE CALL THOSE WHO'VE SIGNED
25 UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THERE ARE FOUR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE
3 BEEN REQUESTED TO PRESENT INFORMATION TO THE BOARD ON THIS.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THEN CALL THE PRESENTERS UP,
6 PLEASE.

7

8 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD LUCIANA SVIDLER, FROM THE
9 CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER, PLEASE COME FORWARD; ALLISON HOLDORFF
10 POLHILL, FROM L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. PLEASE COME
11 FORWARD. SOSSE BEDROSSIAN, L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
12 NURSING SERVICES, NURSING ADMINISTRATOR, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

15

16 **LUCIANA SVIDLER:** GOOD MORNING.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** SPEAK RIGHT INTO THE MIC, PLEASE.

19

20 **LUCIANA SVIDLER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LUCIANA SVIDLER, AND
21 I'M THE POLICY ASSOCIATE WITH CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER OF
22 CALIFORNIA. AND AS MENTIONED EARLIER BY MY COLLEAGUE, WE
23 REPRESENT APPROXIMATELY 30,000 CHILDREN UNDER THE JURISDICTION
24 OF THE DEPENDENCY COURT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE THANK
25 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORTH THIS IMPORTANT MOTION, AND

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1 FOR HER ONGOING COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING THE LIVES OF FOSTER
2 CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TEEN PREGNANCY RATES ARE AT
3 HISTORIC LOWS IN THE UNITED STATES, BUT NOT FOR ALL YOUTH.
4 YOUNG WOMEN IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM ARE FAR MORE LIKELY TO
5 EXPERIENCE TEEN PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH. A RECENT U.S.C.
6 STUDY FOUND THAT OVER 1/3 OF THE YOUNG WOMEN WHO ARE IN
7 CALIFORNIA'S FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AT AGE 17 WILL GIVE BIRTH AT
8 LEAST ONCE BY THE TIME THEY TURN 21. ANOTHER STUDY FOUND THAT
9 OF THOSE FOSTER YOUTH WHO HAVE CHILDREN, THE VAST MAJORITY
10 DESCRIBE THEIR PREGNANCIES AS UNWANTED OR UNPLANNED. THE HIGH
11 RATE OF UNINTENDED PREGNANCIES CAN HAVE SERIOUS LONG-TERM
12 IMPLICATIONS. AFTER GIVING BIRTH, PARENTING YOUTH AND THEIR
13 CHILDREN FREQUENTLY CONFRONT INADEQUATE RESOURCES, LIMITED
14 SUPPORT, AND VULNERABILITY TO HOMELESSNESS. CHILDREN'S LAW
15 CENTER HAS LONG IDENTIFIED ACCESS TO REPRODUCTIVE AND SEXUAL
16 HEALTH INFORMATION AND SERVICES AS A PRIORITY ISSUE FOR OUR
17 CLIENTS. WE'RE CURRENTLY PARTICIPATING IN A TWO-YEAR GRANT
18 FOCUSED ON IMPROVING ACCESS TO SUCH INFORMATION AND SERVICES.
19 THIS IS A COORDINATED COLLABORATIVE OF ADVOCACY AGENCIES,
20 RESEARCHERS, AND IMPORTANTLY, THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
21 FAMILY SERVICES. IF PASSED, THIS MOTION WOULD PROVIDE CRITICAL
22 FUNDING TO EXPAND EFFORTS LIKE THESE, AND ALSO TO IDENTIFY
23 OTHER EXISTING SUPPORTS TO HELP REDUCE THE NUMBER OF UNWANTED
24 PREGNANCIES IN FOSTER YOUTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN
25 ADDITION, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER

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1 DENOUNCING A TAX ON FUNDING FOR EXISTING PROGRAMMING. WE URGE
2 YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR ALL THAT
3 YOU DO FOR OUR CLIENTS.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **ALLISON HOLDORFF POLHILL:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR AND
8 SUPERVISORS, AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT
9 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORWARD THIS MOTION TO CURTAIL A
10 TAX ON THE FUNDING FOR TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION. MY NAME IS
11 ALLISON HOLDORFF POLHILL, AND I AM WITH LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER NICK MELVOIN'S OFFICE, AS A
13 SENIOR ADVISOR. OUR OFFICE IS SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION.
14 L.A.U.S.D. SERVES OVER 600,000 STUDENTS. LOS ANGELES COUNTY
15 HAS THE HIGHEST RATE FOR TEEN PREGNANCY AND S.T.D.S OF TEENS.
16 PREGNANCY HAS BEEN DETERMINED TO BE THE SINGLE HIGHEST CAUSE
17 FOR DROPOUTS. THE LOSS OF FUNDS WILL SEVERELY IMPACT MANY OF
18 OUR PROGRAMS. AND AS THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER NOTED, TEENS IN
19 FOSTER CARE EXPERIENCE EARLY AND UNPLANNED PREGNANCY 2-1/2
20 TIMES HIGHER THAN THEIR NON-FOSTER CARE PEERS. WE SUPPORT
21 URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
22 SERVICES NOT TO CURTAIL FUNDING, AND WE SUPPORT YOUR EFFORTS
23 AS A BOARD TO DENOUNCE ACTIVITIES TO HARM YOUNG, VULNERABLE
24 STUDENTS. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT PRESENTER,
2 PLEASE.

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4 **SOSSE BEDROSSIAN:** GOOD MORNING. I'D LIKE TO FIRST THANK
5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORTH THIS MOTION. MY NAME IS
6 SOSSE BEDROSSIAN. I AM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF NURSING FOR
7 THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. IN THE 20 YEARS I
8 HAVE BEEN A SCHOOL NURSE WITH THE L.A.U.S.D., I HAVE WITNESSED
9 FIRSTHAND THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATING OUR YOUTH ON THEIR
10 SEXUAL HEALTH AND PREGNANCY PREVENTION. WHEN I WORKED IN THE
11 SCHOOLS, DIRECTLY WITH OUR STUDENTS, I TAUGHT SEX EDUCATION TO
12 COUNTLESS YOUTH. I WAS OFTEN SADDENED BY THE VAST AMOUNT OF
13 MISINFORMATION OUR STUDENTS HAD, REGARDING SEX, SEXUALLY
14 TRANSMITTED ILLNESSES, AND TEEN PREGNANCY. SEX EDUCATION DOES
15 WORK. THAT IS A FACT. STUDENTS NEED TO HAVE ACCURATE AND AGE-
16 APPROPRIATE INFORMATION, SO THEY CAN MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS
17 THAT WILL ULTIMATELY AFFECT THEM FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES.
18 THE FUNDS IN QUESTION ARE IMPERATIVE TO CONTINUING THE
19 IMPORTANT WORK OF EDUCATING AND EMPOWERING OUR YOUTH TO BE
20 SEXUALLY HEALTHY, AND PREVENT PREGNANCY AND SEXUALLY
21 TRANSMITTED ILLNESSES. ANY CUTS TO THESE FUNDS WOULD ADVERSELY
22 IMPACT OUR YOUTH NOW AND IN THEIR FUTURE. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR
23 TIME, AND URGE THE BOARD TO PASS THIS MOTION.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT EXHAUSTS THE
2 LISTS OF PRESENTERS. PLEASE CALL THOSE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
3 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING
6 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU:
7 CLAUDIA POWELL, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN, JIM
8 RHYNE, JOHN WALSH, REVEREND DR. MELLO DESIRE, ROSARIO RICO,
9 SARA MITCHELL, AND TIMOTHY KORDIC.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR JOINING US. PLEASE GRAB A
12 MIC... AND GO AHEAD.

13

14 **CLAUDIA POWELL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CLAUDIA POWELL. I AM
15 REPRESENTING PLANNED PARENTHOOD LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE IN
16 SUPPORT OF THIS PROPOSITION. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
17 YOUR LEADERSHIP. I KNOW FIRSTHAND WHAT IS NEEDED FOR TEEN
18 PREGNANCY. MYSELF, I WAS A TEEN PREGNANCY IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY
19 WHERE RESOURCES WERE NOT AVAILABLE, AND DEFINITELY THIS IS AN
20 IMPORTANT ISSUE, AND I HAVE A LOT OF PASSION FOR THIS. SO
21 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, AND WE ARE
22 LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING WORKING WITH YOU ON THIS ISSUE.

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1 **JIM RHYNE:** HI. MY NAME IS JIM RHYNE. I'M A COMMUNICATIONS
2 CONSULTANT REPRESENTING COACHMAN MOORE & ASSOCIATES AND WE CAN
3 STOP S.T.D.S L.A., A MOVEMENT OF THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY
4 COALITION THAT BRINGS TOGETHER PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO
5 LIVE, WORK, SERVE, AND WORSHIP IN THE SOUTH L.A. AREA OF L.A.
6 COUNTY'S SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2. KEEPING IT REAL TOGETHER IS
7 A CRITICAL PARTNER IN THE COMMUNITY FIGHT AGAINST S.T.D.S AND
8 TEEN PREGNANCY. AS A COMMUNITY-ENGAGED MOVEMENT, OUR
9 COLLECTIVE STRENGTH IS ROOTED IN THE INDIVIDUAL STRENGTH AND
10 TALENTS OF EACH OF OUR PARTNERS, AND OUR ABILITY TO BUILD AND
11 MAINTAIN DEEP, COLLABORATIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS. KEEPING IT
12 REAL TOGETHER IS A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF HOW RICH THESE
13 COLLABORATIONS ARE IN PRACTICE, TO REACH THOSE MOST AT RISK.
14 OUR MOST NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENT TOGETHER IS THE DEVELOPMENT AND
15 PRODUCTION OF THE POCKET GUIDE TO SEXUAL HEALTH SERVICES IN
16 SOUTH L.A. THE GUIDE FEATURES PROVIDERS WHO HAVE BEEN VETTED
17 FOR THEIR ABILITY TO DELIVER YOUTH-FRIENDLY SEXUAL HEALTH
18 SERVICES. WHILE THE GUIDE GOT ITS BEGINNINGS IN DISTRICT 2,
19 KEEPING IT REAL TOGETHER HAS LED THE CHARGE TO TAKE THIS
20 IMPORTANT REFERRAL TOOL COUNTYWIDE, AND TO MOVE IT ONLINE TO
21 MAKE IT EASIER THAN EVER FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS TO ACCESS
22 THE WEALTH OF INFORMATION LOCATED IN THE GUIDE. KEEPING IT
23 REAL TOGETHER ALSO LENDS THEIR EXPERTISE IN MOBILIZING AND
24 CONNECTING WITH STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND YOUNG PEOPLE. WE JOINED
25 KEEPING IT REAL TOGETHER AT L.A. TRADE-TECH LAST YEAR, WHERE

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1 THEY LED THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN TO
2 ENCOURAGE YOUNG PEOPLE TO TALK ABOUT WHY SEX EDUCATION IS
3 IMPORTANT TO THEM, RESULTING IN THE PRODUCTION OF A YOUTUBE
4 VIDEO, AS WELL AS NUMEROUS SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS. IN ADDITION,
5 KEEPING IT REAL TOGETHER PROVIDES SUPPORT FOR WE CAN STOP
6 S.T.D.S L.A.'S ANNUAL YOUTH-LED SUMMIT ABOUT SEX, HEALTH, AND
7 WELLBEING, CALLED SPRING INTO LOVE. WITHOUT INVALUABLE SUPPORT
8 FROM OUR PARTNERS, SUCH AS KEEPING IT REAL TOGETHER, WE CAN
9 STOP S.T.D.S L.A.'S ABILITY TO REACH YOUNG PEOPLE AND OTHERS
10 IN THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE GREATLY DIMINISHED. S.T.D.S
11 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACT SOUTH L.A., ESPECIALLY BLACK AND
12 LATINO YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS, SO HAVING ACCESS TO PARTNERS
13 LIKE KEEPING IT REAL TOGETHER, WHO ARE COMMITTED TO
14 COMPREHENSIVE SEX EDUCATION, TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION, AND
15 S.T.D.S, IS CRITICAL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **ROSARIO RICO:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS ROSARIO RICO.
20 I WORK FOR THE L.A. TRUST FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTH. I'M THE
21 PROGRAM COORDINATOR THERE. I'M HERE TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ON
22 BEHALF OF OUR ORGANIZATION AND OUR INVOLVEMENT WITH KEEPING IT
23 REAL. BUT SINCE IT'S BEEN TALKED ABOUT ALREADY, ON THE EFFECT
24 OR THE IMPACT IT HAS ON THE COMMUNITY, I WANT TO TALK A LITTLE
25 BIT ABOUT HOW IT AFFECTED ME, A PROGRAM VERY SIMILAR TO THIS.

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1 AS A MEMBER OF SOUTH L.A., BORN AND RAISED IN WATTS COMMUNITY,
2 THANKFULLY, DUE TO A PROGRAM JUST LIKE THIS, THAT DELIVERED
3 SEX EDUCATION, PROVIDED LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, SUCH AS
4 CREATING A STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK
5 IN A CLINIC, REALLY IMPACTED ME AT 16 YEARS OLD, IN THE 90S,
6 WHEN TEEN PREGNANCY RATES WERE REALLY HIGH, AND ABOUT 50
7 PERCENT OF MY FRIENDS WERE ALREADY PREGNANT BY THE TIME THEY
8 WERE 16 OR 17 YEARS OLD. ALTHOUGH TEEN PREGNANCY RATES HAVE
9 DECREASED SIGNIFICANTLY ACROSS THE U.S., CERTAIN COMMUNITIES
10 ARE MORE AFFECTED. SOUTH L.A., COMPTON, ESPECIALLY URBAN
11 COMMUNITIES, ARE MORE AFFECTED THAN OTHERS, DUE TO LACK OF
12 RESOURCES AND LACK OF INFORMATION. BUT IN PARTICULAR, WHAT I
13 REALLY LIKE ABOUT K.I.R.T., IT ALSO INCLUDED AN ASPECT OF
14 PARENT WORKSHOPS THAT ALLOWED AND TAUGHT PARENTS HOW TO
15 COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR CHILDREN ON NOT JUST ABOUT SEX, BUT HOW
16 TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR KIDS, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT'S VERY
17 HARD. AND SEX EDUCATION IS STILL A TABOO IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND
18 PROVIDING THAT EXTRA INFORMATION AND SKILLS FOR THE PARENTS TO
19 TALK TO THEIR CHILDREN ABOUT SOMETHING SO SENSITIVE IS VERY
20 IMPORTANT. IN ADDITION, THIS ALSO PROVIDES A CAREER PATHWAY
21 FOR YOUTH TO BE ENGAGED IN PUBLIC HEALTH. I HAVE RECEIVED MY
22 MASTER'S IN PUBLIC HEALTH, AND I'M A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR
23 ADOLESCENT HEALTH. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO COME AND SPEAK
24 TODAY.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **TIMOTHY KORDIC:** HELLO, AND THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION. MY NAME
4 IS TIM KORDIC, AND I WORK FOR THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL
5 DISTRICT IN HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS. I'M IN CHARGE OF ALL
6 THINGS HEALTH EDUCATION, BUT PRIMARILY MY CORE FUNCTION IS
7 SEXUAL HEALTH EDUCATION, H.I.V. PREVENTION EDUCATION, AND I
8 MANAGE THE H.I.V. PREVENTION UNIT AT L.A.U.S.D., IN THE
9 DIVISION OF INSTRUCTION. WE HAVE A LARGE PARTNERSHIP WITH L.A.
10 COUNTY AND THE CITY, AND ALWAYS HAVE. WE'VE HAD A LARGE
11 HISTORY WITH THIS GRANT, NOT JUST IN THIS CYCLE, BUT IN THE
12 PAST CYCLES, AND WITH THE PREVIOUS GRANT THAT WE HAD WITH THE
13 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, AS WELL, FUNDED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
14 AND THE C.D.C. DIVISION OF ADOLESCENT SCHOOL HEALTH, AND WE
15 LEVERAGE THIS GRANT WITH 10 OF OUR PRIORITY MIDDLE SCHOOLS. WE
16 SERVICE ALL SCHOOLS, BUT THESE 10 PRIORITY SCHOOLS ARE IN A
17 HIGH-RISK AREA, ESPECIALLY IN SOUTH L.A., IN PARTICULAR. I'D
18 LIKE TO TAKE NOTICE THAT WE KNOW WE HAVE A PROBLEM IN
19 CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES, WITH S.T.D.S, AND MANY TIMES, YOU
20 LOOK AT TEEN PREGNANCY AND THINK, "OH, WE DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH
21 OF AN ISSUE," BECAUSE WE LOOK AT OUR GENERAL TEEN PREGNANCY
22 RATES AND THINK THEY'RE PRETTY LOW FOR CALIFORNIA AND LOS
23 ANGELES, IN COMPARISON TO LOTS OF PLACES AROUND THE COUNTRY.
24 HOWEVER, IF YOU BREAK IT DOWN BY ZIP CODE AND YOU LOOK AT SOME
25 PLACES, ESPECIALLY IN SOUTH L.A., IN PARTICULAR, YOU'LL FIND

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1 IT HAS SOME REALLY HIGH TEEN PREGNANCY RATES. AND SO WE HAVE
2 SOME SERIOUS THINGS THAT WE HAVE TO DO IN LOS ANGELES.
3 HOWEVER, WHAT WE DO KNOW, BECAUSE I AM IN CHARGE OF
4 SURVEILLANCE DATA FOR THE DISTRICT, AS WELL, AND I MONITOR ALL
5 THE HEALTH BEHAVIORS FOR OUR YOUTH IN LOS ANGELES, SO I DO
6 KNOW THE TRENDS FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS OF L.A.U.S.D., AND THE
7 BEHAVIORS IN LOS ANGELES, AS WELL. SO I KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON,
8 AND I KNOW WHAT WE'VE SEEN HAPPEN. I KNOW WHAT CAN WORK AND
9 WHAT CAN'T WORK. AND I DO KNOW, WHEN WE DO PREVENTION
10 EDUCATION FOR OUR HEALTH EDUCATION COURSES, WE DO SEE A
11 DIFFERENCE. WE LOOK AT OUR DATA AND WE SEE WHAT MAKES A
12 DIFFERENCE, AND WE KNOW THAT PROGRAMS LIKE THIS MAKE A
13 DIFFERENCE WHEN KIDS HAVE THE LINKAGES TO CARE, WHEN KIDS HAVE
14 INFORMATION ON HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS AND TEEN DATING VIOLENCE,
15 WHEN KIDS HAVE INFORMATION AROUND HOW THEY CAN PROTECT
16 THEMSELVES, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE A LOT OF SEX TRAFFICKING
17 HAPPENING, AND HAVE L.G.B.T.-INCLUSIVE INFORMATION RIGHT NOW.
18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **SARA MITCHELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SARA
23 MITCHELL. I AM WITH THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD ADVOCACY PROJECT
24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I AM A RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
25 DISTRICT. I WANTED TO ECHO MY COLLEAGUES AND OTHER SUPPORTERS

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1 IN SUPPORTING THE SUPERVISORS' MOTION. THE IMPORTANCE HERE IS,
2 EVIDENCE-BASED PREGNANCY PREVENTION STRATEGIES, THEY'RE PROVEN
3 TO WORK. L.A. COUNTY EMBRACES THEM. AND THESE ARE THE KIND OF
4 INVESTMENTS THAT CONGRESS SHOULD BE MAKING IN THE UNITED
5 STATES. SO EVEN IF WASHINGTON WANTS TO CONTINUOUSLY GO
6 BACKWARDS, WE APPRECIATE THAT L.A. COUNTY REFUSES TO GO WITH
7 THEM. AND THANK YOU TO THE BOARD FOR NEVER LETTING THE CURRENT
8 ADMINISTRATION'S DECISIONS HOLD LOS ANGELES COUNTY BACK.
9 PLANNED PARENTHOOD ADVOCACY PROJECT LOOKS FORWARD TO WORKING
10 WITH YOU ON PROTECTING AND ADVANCING THESE INITIATIVES. THANK
11 YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM IN SUPPORT OF THAT
17 MOTION, BUT THE THING THAT CONCERNS ME THE MOST IS THAT IN
18 L.A. COUNTY, WE HAVE HAD A HUGE INCREASE OF S.T.D.S, THE LAST
19 YEAR, AND SO ON. SO YOU REALLY NEED TO LOOK AT THAT. AND SINCE
20 YOU APPROVED MARIJUANA, RIGHT NOW, MORE TEENS ARE SMOKING OR
21 TAKING MARIJUANA, AND THAT CAUSES LOW BIRTH WEIGHT IN INFANTS.
22 AND THAT'S VERY CATASTROPHIC RIGHT NOW, AND THAT'S VERY SCARY.
23 SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU PUT AN EMPHASIS ON TEEN
24 PREGNANCY TO PREVENT IT; BUT WHEN IT'S NOT PREVENTED, TO MAKE
25 SURE THAT THE MOTHER IS BEING TAKEN CARE OF, SO THE CHILDREN

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1 ARE NOT UNDERWEIGHT AND IN A BAD SHAPE TO START LIFE. THANK
2 YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** OKAY, SO IT'S VERY SIMPLE: YOU TAKE
7 AWAY EDUCATION, YOU TAKE AWAY FUNDING, YOU TAKE AWAY GREAT
8 THINGS IN SOUTH L.A., EAST L.A., AND ALL THESE URBAN
9 NEIGHBORHOODS, AND WHAT DO YOU HAVE LEFT? YOU HAVE A LOT OF
10 PEOPLE THAT HAVE TIME TO HAVE SEX, PERIOD. OKAY? SO WHAT I'M
11 SAYING IS THAT IF WE FUND THE PREVENTATIVE PROGRAMS, IF WE
12 GIVE THE ARTS A CHANCE, IF WE GIVE THESE KIDS A CHANCE, AN
13 OPPORTUNITY, AND EMPOWER THEM-- THERE ARE NOT A LOT OF
14 EMPOWERMENT CLASSES THAT YOU'RE FUNDING. THERE ARE QUALIFIED
15 PEOPLE THAT CAN TEACH GIRLS HOW TO PRESERVE THEIR BODIES.
16 THERE ARE CLASSES TO HELP BOYS BECOME MEN. AND IF WE'RE NOT
17 FUNDING THESE PROGRAMS, AND WE JUST KEEP FUNDING THEM WITH
18 CONDOMS AND SEX EDUCATION-- AND YOU HAVE A LOT OF KIDS IN
19 PROBATION THAT ARE BEING IMPREGNATED BY PROBATION OFFICERS.
20 SO, WHAT DO YOU SAY TO THAT? IT'S NOT A PROBLEM WITH THE TEEN
21 PREGNANCY; IT'S A PROBLEM OF LACK OF FUNDING GOING TO THE
22 PROGRAMS TO HELP EMPOWER THEM. THIS IS WHERE WE NEED TO SHIFT
23 AND CHANGE DIRECTION. SO, IF WE PLEASE CAN CONSIDER, WITH THIS
24 FIVE-LETTER SIGNATURE, THAT WE ADD PREVENTATIVE PROGRAMS TO
25 THE MIX. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASE CALL THE LAST
3 SPEAKER UP.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD DARRELL KRUSE PLEASE
6 COME FORWARD?

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

9

10 **DARRELL KRUSE:** I AM DARRELL KRUSE. I NOTICE THAT YOU
11 INSTRUCTED THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO REPORT BACK IN 60
12 DAYS. I'M REMINDED OF THE LAST TIME THAT I REMEMBER, WAS SHE
13 REPORTED BACK ON THE HEALTH EQUITY ISSUE ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017.
14 AND IN HER PRESENTATION, SHE HAD A MAP, WHICH SHE DESCRIBED AS
15 LISTING ALL OF THE LICENSED AND PERMITTED DISPENSARIES IN THE
16 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. BUT ON THAT MAP, THE ONES SHE LISTED AS
17 BEING LICENSED AND PERMITTED, NONE OF THEM WERE LICENSED AND
18 PERMITTED, WHICH IS OFF BY A FACTOR OF 100 PERCENT. IN
19 ADDITION, THERE ARE LICENSED AND PERMITTED DISPENSARIES IN THE
20 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND NONE OF THEM ARE ON THE MAP. I
21 QUESTION YOUR CONFIDENCE IN HER. I ALSO QUESTION YOUR VOTE ON
22 NOVEMBER 7, WHICH WAS BASED UPON HER MISLEADING TESTIMONY.
23 THANK YOU.

24

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. KRUSE. THAT EXHAUSTS THE
2 NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. I DON'T
3 HAVE ANY REQUESTS FROM MY COLLEAGUES TO SPEAK, SO I'M JUST
4 GOING TO SAY, HOW MANY TIMES ARE WE GOING TO HAVE TO DO THIS
5 IN OUR LIFETIME? I MEAN, WE FIGHT TO GET THIS FUNDING, AND
6 THEN SOME UNENLIGHTENED ADMINISTRATION SAID, "WELL, WE'LL JUST
7 TAKE IT AWAY." BUT DO THEY PROVIDE ANY MONEY FOR THOSE WHO ARE
8 BORN BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE ANY TEEN PREGNANCY COUNSELING? NO.
9 I MEAN, IT'S JUST... OKAY, IT'S A LITTLE BIT OF A RANT. AND
10 THAT'S ONLY TO SAY THAT--

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** RANT ON.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** RANT ON. SUPERVISOR SOLIS MOVES. SUPERVISOR
15 HAHN SECONDS THIS ITEM. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, WE WILL
16 RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. ALL RIGHT, LET US MOVE TO FINAL ITEM,
17 18, AND FURTHER RANTING. FINAL ITEM, 18. NO, THAT WAS NOT MY
18 QUOTE; THAT WAS SUPERVISOR HAHN. AND IT'S HER ITEM, SO SHE
19 GETS TO SAY THIS. DID YOU WANT MR. GERO TO COME UP
20 IMMEDIATELY?

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** NOT NECESSARILY. I'M JUST GOING TO MAKE MY
23 COMMENTS, IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT, MADAM CHAIRWOMAN. I'M VERY
24 PROUD THAT THE COUNTY IS TAKING THE INITIATIVE TO CREATE OUR
25 OWN SUSTAINABILITY PLAN. WE KNOW THAT CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL,

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1 INCOME AND SOCIAL INEQUALITIES ARE REAL, AND WE NEED TO DO
2 EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO MAKE L.A. COUNTY MORE EQUITABLE,
3 RESILIENT, AND MORE SUSTAINABLE. I REALLY THINK WE'VE DONE A
4 GOOD JOB IN CREATING THE FRAMEWORK FOR THIS PLAN. BUT AS THE
5 FINAL PLAN IS DEVELOPED, I HAD A FEW ISSUES THAT I WOULD WANT
6 TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE CONSIDERED, AND I'M PROBABLY GOING
7 TO MAKE THEM AS AN AMENDMENT TO THIS ITEM. JUST THIS WEEKEND,
8 WE HAD ABOUT 1100 GALLONS OF SEWAGE THAT WAS SPILLED INTO
9 MARINA DEL REY BECAUSE OF BLOCKAGE CAUSED BY GREASE IN THE
10 SEWER SYSTEM. I KNOW THAT OUR COUNTY HAS THE TRAP THE GREASE
11 PROGRAM, THAT ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO DISPOSE OF GREASE IN THE
12 TRASH, AND COUNTY CODE REQUIRES RESTAURANTS TO HAVE AN
13 APPROVED COLLECTOR DISPOSE OF THIS GREASE. BUT I THINK THERE'S
14 SOME OTHER THINGS THAT WE COULD DO, AND I THINK THIS IS THE
15 PERFECT TIME TO INCLUDE THIS IN OUR PLAN. IT'S BEEN PROVEN
16 THAT RESTAURANT GREASE CAN BE REFINED AND USED AS BIOFUEL FOR
17 CARS AND TRUCKS. SO MY FIRST AMENDMENT WOULD BE THAT, AS A
18 PART OF THE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN, THE COUNTY LOOK INTO THE
19 POSSIBILITY OF CREATING PROGRAMS THAT COULD CAPTURE GREASE AND
20 OTHER POTENTIAL BIOFUEL SOURCES TO FUEL OUR COUNTY FLEETS. I
21 THINK THIS WOULD BE MORE SUSTAINABLE THAN HAVING GREASE IN OUR
22 LANDFILLS AND OUR OCEANS. AND ADDITIONALLY, AS WE LOOK AT WAYS
23 TO IMPROVE AIR QUALITY AS PART OF THIS PLAN, I WOULD LIKE TO
24 ALSO MAKE AN AMENDMENT THAT WE WORK CLOSELY WITH THE PORTS OF
25 LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH TO HELP FACILITATE THE TRANSITION

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1 TO ZERO EMISSIONS BY 2035. SO WITH THE SUPPORT OF MY
2 COLLEAGUES, I HOPE YOU WOULD SUPPORT ME IN HAVING THESE TWO
3 THINGS ALSO BE INCLUDED IN OUR SUSTAINABILITY PLAN.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** MR. GERO, I THINK THIS MOTION IS ABOUT, OR
6 THIS BOARD LETTER IS ABOUT, BRINGING AN ENTITY ON BOARD TO
7 HELP US DEVELOP THE PLAN. SO I THINK THE AMENDMENT, RATHER
8 THAN SAY IT MUST BE IN THE PLAN, COULD WE SAY THAT WE WANT
9 THEM, IN DEVELOPING THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE PLAN, TO
10 TAKE THIS INTO ACCOUNT? BECAUSE THE PLAN WILL COME BACK TO US.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** RIGHT. I THINK THAT'S WHAT I MEANT TO SAY, WAS THAT
13 I WOULD LIKE FOR THEM TO LOOK AT BOTH THOSE ISSUES WHILE
14 THEY'RE DEVELOPING THE PLAN.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** RIGHT. SO THE AMENDMENT WOULD BE TO ASK,
17 SPECIFICALLY, TO INCLUDE IN ITS CONSIDERATIONS ABOUT THE
18 OVERALL SUSTAINABILITY PLAN THE POSSIBILITY OF PROGRAMS THAT
19 MIGHT CAPTURE GREASE OR OTHER POTENTIAL BIOFUELS, PURPOSELY TO
20 KEEP IT OUT OF THE WASTE STREAM, OR THE WATER.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** AND TO FUEL OUR COUNTY FLEETS.

23

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** AND TO ALSO WORK WITH THE PORTS ON THEIR
2 AIR QUALITY ISSUES, WHICH I'M ASSUMING WOULD BE A BIG PART OF
3 THIS ANYWAY. SO, UNDERSTOOD? OKAY FOR THE AMENDMENT?

4

5 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES. WE HAVE THE TWO AMENDMENTS.

6

7 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** AND DO WE NEED TO HAVE AN AMENDMENT MOVED
8 AND SECONDED FOR A BOARD LETTER?

9

10 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES, YOU WOULD HAVE TO.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. I'LL SECOND
13 IT, TO INCLUDE THE AMENDMENT IN THIS LETTER, WHICH WE HAVEN'T
14 VOTED ON YET, BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY TESTIMONY. SEEING NO
15 REQUESTS FOR MY COLLEAGUES TO SPEAK YET, LET US CALL UP THOSE
16 WHO HAVE ASKED TO SPEAK ON THIS.

17

18 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE TWO INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE
19 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THIS ITEM ARE ERIC PREVEN
20 AND LILIANNA OUSTINOVSKAYA.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. GERO.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** I THINK ERIC PREVEN IS PASSING.

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** MR. PREVEN HAS WAIVED, IN BOTH SENSES.

2 WELCOME.

3

4 **LILIANNA OUSTINOVSKAYA:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** PLEASE SPEAK RIGHT INTO THE MIC, SO

7 EVERYBODY CAN HEAR YOU.

8

9 **LILIANNA OUSTINOVSKAYA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LILIANNA

10 OUSTINOVSKAYA, AND I'M A STAFF MEMBER AT S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. I

11 HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING THE STAFF LIAISON FOR OUR

12 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACTION TEAM. IT'S A GROUP OF INVOLVED

13 UNION MEMBERS AND LEADERS WHO ARE TASKED WITH HERALDING THE

14 WORK OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES FOR OUR LOCAL. AND SO I'M

15 HERE ON THEIR BEHALF, IN SUPPORT OF THIS RECOMMENDATION. THANK

16 YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE NO OTHER

19 REQUESTS TO SPEAK. SO THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN,

20 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO A

21 UNANIMOUS VOTE? SEEING NONE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION THAT WE

22 TAKE. ALL RIGHT. THAT EXHAUSTS THE ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN HELD

23 BY MEMBERS. LET US MOVE TO PUBLIC--

24

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1 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YOU ALSO HAVE A-7, THAT WAS HELD BY
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, REGARDING IMMIGRATION POLICIES.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** DO WE DO THAT NOW, OR DO WE DO IT UNDER
5 SPECIALS?

6

7 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES, MA'AM, YOU DO IT NOW, BECAUSE
8 IT WAS HELD TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SORRY. THEN I AMEND WHAT I JUST
11 SAID, AND WE'LL GO TO THE LAST ITEM ON ITEMS HELD BY OUR
12 SUPERVISORS, ITEM A-7. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANTED TO RAISE THIS
15 ISSUE BECAUSE IT'S TIMELY. YESTERDAY, AS I THINK ALL OF US
16 READ AND SAW THE NEWS, THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCED
17 ANOTHER DECISION; IN MY OPINION, ONE THAT DOESN'T SIT WELL
18 WITH MANY FOLKS THAT LIVE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
19 BASICALLY, HE'S CALLING AN END TO THE TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE
20 STATUS, KNOWN AS T.P.S., FOR NEARLY 200,000 SALVADORIAN
21 IMMIGRANTS. WHAT'S IMPORTANT HERE TO NOTE IS THAT IN L.A.
22 COUNTY AND IN CALIFORNIA, WE HAVE ONE OF THE LARGEST
23 POPULATIONS OF SALVADORIANS THAT ARE RECIPIENTS OF THE T.P.S.
24 PROGRAM: ROUGHLY, ABOUT 49,000. AND MORE THAN HALF OF THEM,
25 ABOUT 30,000, LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MANY HAVE BEEN

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1 LIVING HERE SINCE 2001, WHEN THERE WAS A DISASTER, HURRICANE
2 MITCH, THAT HURT THAT PARTICULAR COUNTRY. MANY INDIVIDUALS
3 APPLIED FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE STATUS, AND WERE ALLOWED TO
4 STAY HERE. MANY HAVE BEEN HERE AS LONG AS 16 YEARS. THE ISSUE
5 HERE, HOWEVER, IS THAT YOU HAVE FAMILIES THAT ARE MIXED. YOU
6 HAVE, PERHAPS, PARENTS THAT MAY FALL UNDER THE T.P.S. PROGRAM,
7 BUT HAVE HAD CHILDREN DURING THE LENGTH OF TIME THAT THEY'VE
8 BEEN HERE. SO YOU FIND MIXED FAMILIES. THIS IS VERY
9 UNSETTLING, BECAUSE IN A MATTER OF LESS THAN TWO YEARS, A
10 DETERMINATION WILL BE MADE WHETHER THEY WILL STAY HERE, OR
11 WHAT OTHER RECOURSE THEY MIGHT HAVE. MY HOPE IS THAT THE
12 ADMINISTRATION WOULD BE THOUGHTFUL ABOUT HOW WE ADDRESS
13 IMMIGRATION REFORM, OVERALL, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE
14 D.A.C.A., THE DREAMERS, THE ISSUE THAT WAS RAISED BY THIS
15 BOARD SEVERAL TIMES, TO SEE HOW WE COULD COME TO TERMS ON THAT
16 PARTICULAR ISSUE. THIS ALSO IS SOMETHING THAT HITS US VERY
17 HARD HERE, BECAUSE WE HAVE, AGAIN, MANY RESIDENTS. I KNOW, IN
18 THE FIRST DISTRICT, WE HAVE PROBABLY ONE OF THE LARGEST
19 CONCENTRATIONS OF SALVADORIANS THAT LIVE IN MY DISTRICT, MANY
20 WHO ARE UPSTANDING INDIVIDUALS, WHO ARE BUSINESS OWNERS,
21 PROPERTY OWNERS, HAVE LED A LIFE, OPENED UP BUSINESSES, PAY
22 TAXES, AND IN FACT HELP TO SERVE AS, I THINK, A RESOURCE FOR
23 THEIR COUNTRY-FOLKS THAT LIVE IN EL SALVADOR. ACCORDING TO
24 STATISTICS THAT I'VE READ, ABOUT \$4.5 BILLION IN REMITTANCES
25 ARE SENT BACK TO EL SALVADOR, SO PEOPLE THERE CAN MAINTAIN

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1 THEIR LIVELIHOODS AND CONTINUE ON IN PROSPERITY, IN SPITE OF
2 THE CIVIL WAR THAT HAD OCCURRED THERE YEARS AGO, THE HIGH RATE
3 OF CRIME, AND OTHER ISSUES THAT PLAGUE THAT PARTICULAR
4 COUNTRY. SO I'M PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD UNDER A-7, BECAUSE
5 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE ON RECORD. I KNOW THAT
6 MANY LIKE-MINDED INDIVIDUALS, BIPARTISAN, ARE ALSO IN SUPPORT
7 OF SEEING SOME RELIEF. AND THIS INITIAL PROGRAM WAS ACTUALLY
8 BROUGHT INTO PLAY BACK IN THE 90S, THROUGH A REPUBLICAN
9 ADMINISTRATION. I WOULD HOPE WE COULD CONTINUE TO LOOK AT
10 THESE ISSUES IN A BIPARTISAN FASHION. SO I WANT TO READ THE
11 FOLLOWING: I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE
13 SECRETARY OF DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, THE SENATE, THE
14 HOUSE LEADERSHIP, LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION,
15 AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO REITERATE THE
16 URGENT NEED FOR AN IMMEDIATE AND PERMANENT LEGISLATIVE
17 SOLUTION THAT WILL ALLOW FOR ALL T.P.S. RECIPIENTS TO REMAIN
18 IN THE UNITED STATES; AND NUMBER TWO, INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL
19 TO MONITOR ANY LEGAL ACTION CHALLENGING THE ADMINISTRATION'S
20 DECISION TO TERMINATE TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS FOR ANY
21 COUNTRY, AND FILE AND/OR JOIN IN AN AMICUS BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF
22 RECIPIENTS OF T.P.S. AND/OR IN OTHER LITIGATION AIMED TO
23 PROTECT T.P.S. RECIPIENTS AND THEIR LEGAL RIGHTS, AS DEEMED
24 APPROPRIATE BY COUNTY COUNSEL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

2

3 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS
4 FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I WANTED TO ADD MY VOICE TO THOSE
5 WHO ARE CONSTANTLY CALLING FOR A PERMANENT SOLUTION FROM
6 CONGRESS ON THESE UNSOLVED IMMIGRATION ISSUES. IT SEEMS TO ME
7 THE PRESIDENT IS INSISTING THAT THE PROTECTION ENJOYED BY
8 THESE NEARLY 200,000 SALVADORIANS LIVING AND WORKING HERE WAS
9 ONLY TEMPORARY. BUT WE KNOW THAT THAT WAS ONLY IN NAME,
10 BECAUSE THESE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN LIVING AND WORKING AND CREATING
11 FAMILIES HERE IN THE UNITED STATES FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES.
12 MANY OF THEM HAVE U.S. CITIZEN CHILDREN. THEY PAY FOR THE
13 PRIVILEGE TO REMAIN IN THE UNITED STATES, AND THEY PAY U.S.
14 TAXES ON THEIR WAGES, THEIR BUSINESSES, AND THEIR PROPERTIES.
15 IT'S CRUEL TO USE A CAMPAIGN PROMISE, I THINK, TO TEAR THESE
16 FAMILIES APART. AND LET'S NOT FORGET THAT EL SALVADOR IS NOT A
17 SAFE PLACE IN 2018. THE EARTHQUAKES WERE LONG AGO, THE CIVIL
18 WAR HAS ENDED, BUT WE ALL KNOW THERE IS VICIOUS STREET GANGS
19 IN EL SALVADOR-- MS-13-- AND THEY'RE EXERTING THEIR OWN FORM
20 OF DOMESTIC TERROR ON THE RESIDENTS OF EL SALVADOR. SO I AM
21 PROUD TO BE ADDING MY SIGNATURE TO THIS FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER,
22 AND WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO MAKE OUR VOICE HEARD ON SOME OF
23 THESE ATTEMPTED POLICIES AND THE TEARING APART OF OUR
24 IMMIGRANT FAMILIES, AND URGE CONGRESS ONE MORE TIME TO DO A
25 PERMANENT FIX. THEY COULD DO IT. THEY COULD DO COMPREHENSIVE

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1 IMMIGRATION REFORM AND FIX WHAT'S BROKEN, AND GIVE PEOPLE A
2 DECENT, HUMANE PATHWAY TO STAY HERE. BUT SO FAR, THEY REFUSE
3 TO DO THAT. SO I APPRECIATE US MAKING OUR VOICE HEARD, LOUD
4 AND CLEAR, ON THIS ISSUE.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** I AGREE. I THINK THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT.
7 I WONDER IF YOU MIGHT CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO DIRECTIVE 2.
8 INSTEAD OF INSTRUCTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO FILE OR JOIN ANY
9 AMICUS BRIEF WITHOUT OUR REVIEWING IT, WHICH I KNOW WAS NOT
10 YOUR INTENTION, COULD WE SAY "FOR ANY COUNTRY AND," AND THEN
11 ADD THE PHRASE "PRESENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD TO FILE
12 AND/OR JOIN"? OKAY, GOOD. THANK YOU. SO THAT AMENDMENT IS
13 ACCEPTED AND INCORPORATED IN THE DIRECTIVES. I SEE NO REQUESTS
14 TO SPEAK ON THE BOARD. ARE THERE REQUESTS TO SPEAK FROM THE
15 PUBLIC?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** NO, THERE'S NOT.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THIS?
20 I STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS. THIS IS ANOTHER-- I MEAN, MY OUTRAGE
21 BUTTON IS GETTING BROKEN, BUT EVERY DAY, SOMETHING ELSE. ALL
22 RIGHT. WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
23 SUPERVISOR HAHN. SEEING NO OBJECTION, THIS ITEM IS APPROVED,
24 AS AMENDED. ALL RIGHT. I THINK THAT BRINGS US TO INDIVIDUALS
25 WHO'VE ASKED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA THAT WERE NOT

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1 HELD BY SUPERVISORS, SO PLEASE CALL THEM AND ANNOUNCE THE
2 NUMBERS THAT THEY WANT TO TALK ABOUT.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING
5 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU:
6 CHRISTOPHER IGE HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 20, 27, AND
7 52. JOHN WALSH HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 40 AND 42. DR.
8 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 1, 20, 24,
9 27, AND 52. ERIC PREVEN HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 1-D,
10 2-D, 1-H, 1, 3, 8, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21, 24, 27, 36, 38, 40, 42,
11 58-C, AND 52. REVEREND DR. MELLO DESIRE HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK
12 ON 2-D AND 16, AND RED CHIEF HUNT HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON
13 NO. 40.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THERE SHOULD BE MORE PEOPLE IN THE SEATS,
16 WITH ALL OF THOSE NAMES BEING CALLED. PLEASE COME FORWARD,
17 THOSE WHOSE NAMES HAVE BEEN CALLED. YOU MAY START, SIR.

18

19 **CHRISTOPHER IGE:** HI. CHRISTOPHER IGE, FROM THE UNION OF
20 AMERICAN PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS, AND WE SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE
21 FOR ITEM 20, AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK WITH THE
22 DEPARTMENT ON ADDRESSING THE RECRUITMENT ISSUES AT THE JAILS
23 FOR QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS WHO BELIEVE IN THE MISSION OF D.H.S.
24 U.A.P.D. HAS AGREED TO SPONSOR RECRUITMENT EVENTS TO REDUCE
25 THE NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS FILLING THESE VACANT POSITIONS. THIS

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1 ORDINANCE WILL ALSO PROVIDE A BROADER OUTREACH FOR
2 RECRUITMENT, FOR A DIVERSE WORKFORCE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SPEAKERS, PLEASE COME FORWARD.
5 MR. PREVEN, GO AHEAD.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, FROM THE THIRD
8 DISTRICT. IMPOSSIBLE TO GET ALL THOSE ITEMS, BUT I'LL DO MY
9 BEST. I'LL JUST KIND OF MOVE FORWARD. ONE IS, I AM EXTREMELY
10 DISAPPOINTED IN THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, WHO HAS ONCE
11 AGAIN DELAYED ANY REPORTING. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AT ITEM
12 14, DID NOT PUT ANY LINK TO THEIR FINANCIAL STUFF. HOW CAN WE
13 MONITOR IT IF THEY'RE NOT POSTING ANYTHING? IT'S VERY, VERY
14 IRKSOME. AND WHEN I SEE THE CONSUMER COUNSELING CENTER, WHICH
15 I KNOW SOME OF US HAVE CLAMORED FOR, DOWN IN... I BELIEVE IT'S
16 IN HAHN'S DISTRICT, WE SHOULD NAME THAT AFTER SOME OF THE
17 CONSUMER MALFEASANCES BY THE VERY SAME BOARD THAT WAS
18 LAMBASTED IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES FOR NAMING STUFF AFTER
19 THEMSELVES. I THOUGHT IT WAS MEANSPIRITED, THAT ARTICLE, TO BE
20 FAIR, BUT I DID THINK THAT IT RAISES QUESTIONS ABOUT WHY WE
21 ALLOWED HERBALIFE ONTO THE COUNTY BEACHES, WHY WE ALLOW WELLS
22 FARGO, WHY YOU ALLOWED WES EDENS AND THAT GROUP FROM THE GOLF
23 CONSORTIUM TO COME IN, AND THEN, "WELL, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A
24 \$10 MILLION CART BARN, AND WE'LL GET THEM NEXT TIME." WE CAN'T
25 ALLOW THAT KIND OF STUFF. THEY ARE RIPPING OFF THE PUBLIC,

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1 WHICH IS THE MAIN CONCERN THERE. AND THEN JOSEPH LUMARDA,
2 THANKS TO BARGER'S COMING IN, IS NOW ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
3 FOR THE NATURAL HISTORY, SO THAT IS DEEPLY RESPECTFUL. BUT THE
4 MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, AS WE ALL KNOW, HAS JUST JACKED UP
5 ITS RATES. THIS IS A COUNTY MUSEUM. THIS IS LIKE A COUNTY
6 PUBLIC LIBRARY, AS WE WROTE TELLINGLY A FEW WEEKS AGO, AND
7 THEN WAS PICKED UP BY PEOPLE IN NEW YORK, WHO ARE STARTING TO
8 DISCUSS IT, AS WELL. IT'S NOT COOL TO CHARGE ANGELINOS TO SEE
9 OUR ARTIFACTS. SUPER, SUPER UNCOOL. BOARD PRIORITIES, ITEM NO.
10 15, IS ALSO A SLEIGHT OF HAND, BECAUSE IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY IN
11 IT, THERE'S ALL SORTS OF REPORTS, THAT INCLUDE MIRA LOMA HAD
12 TWO BIDDERS FOR A JOB UP THERE DROP OUT, SO WE'RE THROWING
13 THAT BACK TO R.F.P. THAT'S A JAIL UP IN THE DISTRICT. THAT'S A
14 BIG PROBLEM. AND WE DON'T WANT THAT JAIL, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO
15 SCHLEP WOMEN UP THERE FROM LOS ANGELES TO DO TIME FOR THINGS
16 THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET PEOPLE NOT DOING TIME FOR. SO, WHAT
17 CAN I TELL YOU? I'M DISTURBED.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24

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1 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** I CAME TO TALK TO A-7, AND THEY DIDN'T
2 CALL ME FOR THAT. SO, I DON'T KNOW WHY THEY PUT ME FOR 2 AND
3 16, BUT EITHER WAY, I WANT TO ADDRESS THAT. AS FAR AS THE
4 T.P.S. FOR EL SALVADORIANS, IT'S BITTERSWEET, BECAUSE AS A
5 CALIFORNIAN, THE MS-13 GANG HAS BEEN PRIMARILY THE ONES
6 RESPONSIBLE FOR SETH RICH'S MURDER LAST YEAR. AND IF THESE
7 200,000 IMMIGRANTS-- I WOULDN'T SAY IMMIGRANTS. THEY ARE
8 AMERICAN CITIZENS, SINCE THEY'RE HERE, BUT IF THEY'RE NOT
9 WORKING TOGETHER WITH THOSE WHO ARE BORN AND BRED HERE, IF
10 THEY'RE NOT PUTTING THEIR BUSINESSES TOGETHER, IF THEY'RE NOT
11 HIRING PEOPLE FROM THE COMMUNITY, IF THEY'RE NOT INVOLVED AND
12 THEY'RE INTO THEIR EL SALVADORIAN BUBBLE, THEN, HONESTLY, THIS
13 IS WHY THE T.P.S. STATUS REMOVAL IS NOT-- I'M NOT UPSET ABOUT
14 IT AS MUCH AS I WOULD BE FOR ANYONE ELSE. AND SO THAT'S REALLY
15 ALL I WANTED TO SAY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM NO. 1, YOU KNOW,
21 EVERY TIME THAT THE H.I.V. COMMISSION NOMINATES SOMEONE, I AM
22 CONCERNED, BECAUSE, AS USUAL, IT'S SOMEBODY WHO IS RECEIVING
23 AND PROVIDING CARE TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE H.I.V. INERTIA IS VERY
24 SPECIFIC. IT SHOULD BE SOME MEMBER WHO IS NONAFFILIATED. AND
25 ONE TIME, WE'RE GOING TO BE CAUGHT, AND WE WILL HAVE TO PAY

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1 THE MONEY THEY ARE GIVING US. THAT'S OF GREAT CONCERN, YOU
2 KNOW? AND THEN THE OTHER ITEMS I HELD-- 20, 24, 27, AND 52--
3 HAVE TO DO WITH GIVING MORE MONEY FOR PHYSICIANS, IN
4 PARTICULAR, AND I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF THOSE MOTIONS. I THINK
5 THAT TO DO LOAN REPAYMENT, AND SO ON, IS VERY IMPORTANT, AND
6 THEY ALL OWE THOSE LINES. SO I THINK IT IS A GOOD STEP, MAYBE,
7 TO ATTRACT PHYSICIANS WHO HAVE A SPECIALTY, AND SO ON, AND
8 THEY'RE ALL ABOUT THE SAME ISSUE. SO I THINK IT'S A GOOD MOVE
9 IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, TO DO THAT. I DON'T HAVE TO SPEND
10 MONEY MUCH, BUT I THINK THAT'S GOOD TO REPAY. SOME OF THE
11 PHYSICIANS GRADUATE WITH HALF A MILLION IN DEBT-- 500,000. HOW
12 CAN A PERSON PROVIDE THE BEST OF CARE WHEN ALL THEIR WORRY IS
13 ABOUT PAYING THEIR DEBTS? SO, FROM WHERE I COME FROM, I FEEL
14 THAT IT MIGHT REALLY IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE PEOPLE WE CAN
15 ATTRACT, AND ALSO MAKE THEM MORE EXCITED ABOUT BEING A
16 PHYSICIAN AND DOING A GOOD JOB.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS WHO
19 WERE CALLED AND DID NOT COME FORWARD? ALL RIGHT. THOSE ARE ALL
20 THE SPEAKERS WHO ASKED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. NONE
21 OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE ANY SPECIAL ITEMS AT THIS TIME, WHICH IS
22 THE NEXT THING ON THE AGENDA. SO THAT BRINGS US TO PUBLIC
23 COMMENT. FIRST, WE HAVE TO VOTE ON THE ITEMS THAT WERE HELD.
24 SO, PLEASE TELL US WHAT THOSE ARE, AND WE WILL HAVE A VOTE.

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1 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU:
2 ITEM 1-D, 2-D, 1-H, 1, 3, 8, 16, 17, 20, 24, 27, 36, 38, 40,
3 42, 48-C, 52. AND ON ITEM 13, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS TO BE
4 RECORDED AS ABSTAIN. AND ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS
5 TO BE RECORDED AS ABSTAIN.

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7 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR BARGER,
8 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, ON ALL THOSE ITEMS. WITHOUT
9 OBJECTION, THEY ARE ADOPTED. OKAY. LET US GO TO PUBLIC
10 COMMENT.

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12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
13 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS OF
15 INTEREST THAT ARE WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF
16 THE BOARD. WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
17 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: DARRELL KRUSE, RED CHIEF
18 HUNT, JOHN WALSH, AND ERIC PREVEN.

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20 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME BACK, MR. KRUSE. THE MIC IS ALL
21 YOURS.

22

23 **DARRELL KRUSE:** THANK YOU. I AM DARRELL KRUSE. AND I GUESS THE
24 BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION HEARING'S TOMORROW, AGAIN. I WAS
25 TALKING LAST TIME, IN DECEMBER, ABOUT THE BUSINESS LICENSE

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1 COMMISSION; ACTUALLY, ABOUT THE GUY ON THE BUSINESS LICENSE
2 AND TREASURY AND TAX COLLECTION, 2017. IN JUNE, HE STATED THAT
3 IN 2015, FOUR YEARS AFTER THE BAN BECAME EFFECTIVE, HE DIDN'T
4 KNOW THAT THERE WAS A BAN. HOW DOES THAT AFFECT THINGS? WELL,
5 WHEN I REPORTED TO ROBERT AT HILDA SOLIS'S OFFICE, MARIJUANA
6 DISPENSARIES, I GAVE HIM A NUMBER OF ADDRESSES. I GAVE
7 ADDITIONAL ADDRESSES TO EDEL, WHO WAS IN MIKE ANTONOVICH'S
8 DISTRICT, AND SOME TO RICK, AND NOTHING WAS DONE. THE ONES
9 THAT I REPORTED IN '11 WERE STILL THERE IN 2014, AND NOTHING
10 SEEMED LIKE IT WAS GETTING DONE, SO I THOUGHT I'D TRY AND GET
11 ONE. AND I CONTACTED BUSINESS LICENSE, AND SURE ENOUGH, THEY
12 WERE WILLING TO HELP ME OUT; GAVE ME ALL THE INFORMATION OF
13 WHAT I NEEDED, EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS A BAN. SO WHEN I REPORT
14 TO SUPERVISORS, THEY GIVE IT TO THE SHERIFF. AND I TOLD YOU
15 THIS A YEAR AGO. WHEN THE SHERIFF GETS IT, HE VERIFIES THAT
16 IT'S A DISPENSARY. AND THEN, FOR SOME REASON, EVEN THOUGH
17 BUSINESS LICENSE HAS NEVER BEEN INVOLVED IN MARIJUANA, THEY'VE
18 NEVER ISSUED ANY BUSINESS LICENSES, AND THEY'VE NEVER BEEN
19 ALLOWED TO EVEN HAVE A PART IN IT. THAT'S IN TITLE 22, NOT IN
20 TITLE 7. BUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, FOR SOME REASON, SENT
21 IT TO BUSINESS LICENSE, AND BUSINESS LICENSE WENT OUT TO THE
22 DISPENSARIES AND SAID, "YOU NEED TO HAVE A BUSINESS LICENSE."
23 HOW DO YOU PEOPLE CONSIDER THAT ENFORCEMENT? REMEMBER, DON
24 KNABE SAID YOU ENFORCE, AND I'VE CALLED HIM A LIAR. HOW DO YOU
25 CALL THAT ENFORCEMENT?

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2 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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4 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
5 JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL, TWEETING AT @HOLLYWOODDEMS. YOU MAY WONDER
6 WHY THERE'S NO MEETING AT CITY COUNCIL. THEY'RE CELEBRATING
7 MEDICAL MARIJUANA. IN FACT, WHEN I WAS IN THERE TODAY, I COULD
8 SMELL MEDICAL MARIJUANA, OR RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA. MAYBE YOU
9 CAN TELL ME THE DIFFERENCE. YOU KNOW, EVERYTHING RUNS-- AND
10 PEOPLE SHOULD WATCH THIS-- SO SMOOTHLY OVER HERE.
11 OCCASIONALLY, THERE'S A RUPTURE, BUT BASICALLY EVERYTHING RUNS
12 SMOOTHLY. BUT, I MEAN, I'M TELLING YOU, HERB WESSON-- IS HE ON
13 MARIJUANA? WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE? IT'S ABSOLUTELY OUT OF
14 CONTROL AT CITY COUNCIL. THEY SHOULD SEND SOMEBODY OVER HERE
15 TO WATCH THE WAY A MEETING SHOULD BE RUN, BECAUSE OVER THERE,
16 IT'S OUT-- I MEAN, I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW. AND HOW ABOUT
17 THE MAYOR? THE MAYOR HAS TWO FIRST FAMILIES. HE HAS ONE BY HIS
18 WIFE, HIS HETEROSEXUAL WIFE, AND HE HAS ONE BY GLEN DAKE, HIS
19 GAY WIFE. EVERYBODY KNOWS HE HAS A GAY WIFE. AND I'VE BEEN
20 TOLD BY 11 DIFFERENT REPORTERS, THE SECOND HE DECLARES FOR
21 PRESIDENT, THEY'RE GOING TO GO UP TO GLEN DAKE, WHO HAS A GOOD
22 JOB, AND HE'S BEEN APPOINTED FOR A PAYING JOB BY THE MAYOR,
23 AND SO HAS GLEN DAKE'S SISTER. THEY'RE GOING TO START ASKING
24 HIM ABOUT GLEN DAKE. OTHERWISE, THE L.A. TIMES-- ALL THE MAYOR
25 HAS DO IS WIGGLE HIS CUTE LITTLE ASS, AND THE L.A. TIMES

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1 DOESN'T DO ANY STORIES, BECAUSE 90 PERCENT OF THEIR REPORTERS
2 ARE GAY, AND THE OTHER 10 PERCENT ARE WOMEN.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** AND WE'VE GOT PROGRAMS FOR ALL OF THEM.
5 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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7 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** YES. THE RED CHIEF HUNT, FOR THE RECORD. I
8 TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WE'VE COME A LONG WAYS IN
9 2017. A LOT OF THINGS HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. I'M STILL HAVING
10 A PROBLEM WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE, WHICH I'M TRYING
11 TO GET ACCOMPLISHED AND GET RESOLVED, SO IF YOU GUYS CAN COME
12 TOGETHER AND HELP ME WITH THAT. ALSO, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS
13 YEAR ALL OF THESE PEOPLE OUT HERE-- AND THAT'S TALKING THE
14 GADFLIES-- I THINK THAT WE OUGHT TO CREATE A PROGRAM, AND
15 INCLUDING MYSELF, FOR PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS, SO THAT WE
16 CAN CREATE SOME KIND OF JOB FORMAT FOR THEM, SO THAT WE CAN
17 GET THEM ON BOARD, AND THINGS LIKE THAT, BECAUSE THEY'RE
18 REALLY GREAT SPEAKERS. SO I WANT TO SEE TWO THINGS. I WANT TO
19 SEE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE,
20 AND I ALSO WANT TO SEE THE GADFLIES START DOING PUBLIC SERVICE
21 ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE COUNTY. I THINK THAT'S ONE WAY TO GET
22 THEM ON BOARD. AND, SOLIS, I WOULD LIKE TO SIT DOWN AND TALK
23 WITH YOU. YOU HAVE A LOT OF GOOD ISSUES THAT I'M INTERESTED
24 IN. AND THANK YOU, JANICE, AND THANK THE BOARD, BECAUSE I DO
25 REALLY SEE THAT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES REALLY NEEDS TO COME

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1 OVER HERE, SO THAT THEY CAN SEE WHAT GOES ON OVER HERE, FOR A
2 GOOD EXAMPLE OF HOW TO RUN A GREAT MEETING. I TRULY AGREE WITH
3 JOHN WALSH THAT YOU GUYS SET A PERFECT EXAMPLE, AND THIS IS
4 WHY YOU GUYS GET A LOT OF RESPECT, AND A LOT OF NONSENSE IS
5 NOT GOING ON OVER HERE. AS LONG AS I'M OVER HERE, THERE'S
6 GOING TO BE NO NONSENSE, BECAUSE YOU GUYS RUN A GOOD,
7 RESPECTABLE MEETING. AND THANK YOU, GUYS, AND LET'S HAVE A
8 GOOD 2018. THE RED CHIEF HUNT.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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12 **ERIC PREVEN:** I'LL TAKE HIS 29 SECONDS, IF I COULD. IT'S ERIC
13 PREVEN, FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. IT'S A NICE MEETING, BUT
14 LET'S BE CLEAR: THE IDEA OF PRESENTERS, WHICH IS, "THE
15 FOLLOWING PRESENTERS MAY COME UP," AND FOR PEOPLE WHOM THE
16 SUPERVISORS HAVE INVITED, COVERED THEIR PARKING SPEAK, AND
17 THEN THE REST OF THE SLOBS, LIKE MYSELF, IS NOT ACTUALLY FAIR.
18 SO WE COULD QUICKLY DO WAY WITH THAT, GO BACK TO THE OLD: WE
19 HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, THEY CAN ALL SPEAK FOR THE SAME
20 AMOUNT OF TIME, AND I THINK WE WOULD BE IN GREAT SHAPE ON THAT
21 SCORE. I WOULD ALSO ASK JUST A QUICK QUESTION, BECAUSE IT WAS
22 SO NICE TO SEE RICHARD BRUCKNER BACK IN THE HALL TODAY. WHAT
23 IS THE HOLDBACK, MR. HEIFETZ, FOR A COUNTY EMPLOYEE, WHEN THEY
24 GO OUT INTO THE REAL WORLD, WHICH THEY'RE ALL ENTITLED TO DO?
25 THERE MUST BE SOME PERIOD OF TIME BEFORE WHICH THEY CAN START

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1 LOBBYING OR WORKING FOR-- YOU KNOW, GETTING CONTRACTS. BECAUSE
2 TODAY-- MAZEL TOV-- AT ITEM NO. 16, YOU HAVE AN EARLY
3 NEGOTIATION AGREEMENT GOING, AND I BELIEVE BRUCKNER'S HELPING.
4 SO THAT'S NICE. VERY NICE TO HAVE HIM BACK. I JUST HOPE THAT'S
5 IN COMPLIANCE. AND 1-H IS THE JOB ORDER CONTRACTING. HARRY
6 JOE. THIS GUY'S A LONGTIME VETERAN. THERE'S A 20-PERCENT
7 UPCHARGE. HE'S A COMPANY THAT DOES J.O.C.S. IN OTHER WORDS,
8 IT'S FOR A NUMBER, AND THEN IT COULD BE UP TO 20 PERCENT MORE.
9 THAT'S NOT MY UNDERSTANDING WITH JOB ORDER CONTRACTS. THANK
10 YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COUNTY COUNSEL, WOULD YOU GIVE
13 ME A WRITTEN ANSWER SO I CAN PRESENT IT TO MR. PREVEN, ABOUT
14 HOW LONG YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO WAIT BEFORE YOU COME BACK AND
15 LOBBY? WE'LL DO THAT WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK. WE ALSO HAVE A
16 REQUEST FROM DR. MELLO DESIRE TO SPEAK, BUT YOU HAVE USED UP
17 YOUR SIX MINUTES. AND, REALLY, I HAVE TO APPLY THE RULES
18 FAIRLY AND EVENLY AS I CAN, TO PEOPLE WHO SIGN UP FOR PUBLIC
19 COMMENT. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO DO IS JUST, IF YOU
20 WANT TO-- BOTH THINGS-- WRITE DOWN WHATEVER YOU WERE GOING TO
21 SAY IN THE MINUTE THAT YOU ASKED FOR, AND I'LL PASS IT OUT FOR
22 EVERYBODY TO READ, AND COME BACK NEXT WEEK AND TELL US, AS
23 WELL. THAT'S THE BEST I CAN DO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
24 COOPERATION. ALL RIGHT. I HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER? ALL RIGHT.
25 WE'RE SO POPULAR TODAY. PLEASE CALL THE LAST SPEAKER.

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2 **SPEAKER:** WOULD DANIEL GLAZER PLEASE COME FORWARD?

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4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

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6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK HERE, EVERYONE. MY
7 NAME'S DANIEL GLAZER. I'M FROM DISTRICT 3. 2001, I WAS
8 DIAGNOSED WITH BIPOLAR DISORDER. AND 10 YEARS LATER, I
9 DISCOVERED SOMETHING THAT'S DONE WONDERS FOR ME, THAT IS
10 UNFORTUNATELY NOT AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE SIMILAR, AND I'D LIKE TO
11 PAY IT FORWARD. AND THE FIVE OF YOU HAVE THE POWER TO HELP
12 FREE THE PEOPLE, REALLY. THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE BEING
13 OPPRESSED RIGHT NOW, AND THIS IS THE WAY TO DO IT, AND I'D
14 LOVE TO SEE L.A. COUNTY, STARTING RIGHT HERE WITH THE FIVE OF
15 YOU, MAKING THAT POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANYONE ELSE SIGNED UP
18 TO SPEAK? ALL RIGHT. THAT, THEN, EXHAUSTS THOSE WHO SIGNED UP
19 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND HAD TIME REMAINING. I THINK OUR LAST
20 PIECE, THEN, IS OUR ADJOURNMENTS. AND EVEN THOUGH THE THIRD
21 WOULD GO FIRST TODAY, THE FIRST SHALL BE LAST; THAT IS, NOT
22 THE FIRST DISTRICT, BUT THE THIRD DISTRICT. IS THAT CONFUSING
23 ENOUGH? LET'S GO TO SUPERVISOR HAHN FIRST, FOR ADJOURNMENTS.
24 THE FOURTH, THEN THE FIFTH, THEN THE FIRST, THEN THE SECOND,
25 THEN ME.

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2 **SUP. HAHN:** I COULD NOT KEEP TRACK OF THAT.

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4 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** ME, EITHER.

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6 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
7 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MAJOR LANGER. MAJOR DIED
8 TRAGICALLY ON DECEMBER 29TH, IN HIS LAW OFFICE IN LONG BEACH.
9 HE WAS 75 YEARS OLD. HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND TO MY BROTHER JIM
10 AND I. HE WAS AN ACCOMPLISHED AND WIDELY RESPECTED TRIAL
11 ATTORNEY, AND HE HAD A DISTINGUISHED LEGAL CAREER OF OVER 50
12 YEARS. HE PRACTICED LAW AT THE LONG BEACH FIRM OF PERONA,
13 LANGER, BECK, SERBIN, AND HARRISON, AS WELL AS THE LAW OFFICES
14 OF LARRY H. PARKER, WHERE HE SERVED AS THE MANAGING PARTNER.
15 MAJOR HANDLED WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE THE LONGEST CIVIL TRIAL
16 IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY, WEBER VERSUS ROLLING HILLS. THIS WAS A
17 LANDSLIDE CASE THAT LASTED FOR 14 MONTHS, BEFORE A SUCCESSFUL
18 JURY VERDICT. HE LIVED IN ROLLING HILLS WITH HIS WIFE OF 45
19 YEARS, SHIRLEY. AND WHEN HE WAS NOT WITH HIS BELOVED FAMILY OR
20 AT THE OFFICE, HE WAS IN HIS BARN, MAKING WINE, WOODWORKING,
21 GARDENING, OR WATCHING THE DODGERS. HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED.
22 IN ADDITION TO HIS WIFE SHIRLEY, MAJOR IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO
23 DAUGHTERS, JESSICA AND ALEXIS, HIS SON RYAN, AND HIS TWO
24 GRANDCHILDREN, BOBBY AND ZELDA SOUSA. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADJOURN
25 IN THE MEMORY OF DON WOLVERTON, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF

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1 91. HE WAS BORN IN LOS ANGELES. HE SERVED IN THE U.S. NAVY IN
2 WORLD WAR II, AND RECEIVED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM U.S.C., IN
3 ARCHITECTURE. HE WAS AN ELDER IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, AND
4 SERVED ON THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN MARINERS FAMILY VACATION
5 BOARD FOR OVER 50 YEARS. HE WAS ACTIVELY INVOLVED AT THE
6 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S GHOST RANCH CONFERENCE CENTER, WHICH
7 GAVE HIM GREAT JOY, DEEP CONNECTIONS TO MANY PEOPLE, AND A
8 PROFOUND APPRECIATION FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE LAND. HE IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 67 YEARS, JAN. JAN AND DON WOULD SIT
10 TWO ROWS BEHIND ME AT CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNING, AT THE
11 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN SAN PEDRO. HE'S ALSO SURVIVED BY HIS
12 THREE CHILDREN, HIS NINE GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS THREE GREAT-
13 GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS BROTHER. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
14 THE MEMORY OF LARRY CHRISTIANSEN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
15 OF 89. HE LED TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH IN SAN PEDRO FROM 1960
16 TO 1982, AND THEN AGAIN FROM 2004 TO 2005. HE WAS A PIONEER IN
17 THE CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MOVEMENT. THOUGH HE MOVED BACK TO
18 MINNESOTA YEARS AGO, HE KEPT TIES WITH THE SAN PEDRO
19 COMMUNITY, VISITING TRINITY LUTHERAN PERIODICALLY, WHERE HE
20 CONTINUED TO BE RESPECTED AND LOVED BY THE LOCAL CONGREGATION.
21 SAID TO BE A POWERFUL MENTOR AND A BRILLIANT MIND, HIS
22 DISCIPLINED NATURE AND EASY WAY OF COMMUNICATING WILL BE
23 GREATLY MISSED BY THOSE THAT KNEW HIM. LARRY'S SURVIVED BY HIS
24 WIFE OF 66 YEARS, NORDIS, FOUR CHILDREN, 18 GRANDCHILDREN,
25 FIVE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS SISTER. I'D LIKE US TO

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1 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MICHAEL RICHARD TRIATOLA. MICHAEL
2 JOINED THE NAVY AT THE AGE OF 21. HE STUDIED AERONAUTICAL
3 ENGINEERING, AND RECEIVED HIS COMMISSION AS LIEUTENANT
4 COMMANDER. HE LOVED FLYING; SERVED AS A RESERVE OFFICER FOR 22
5 YEARS. MICHAEL AND HIS WIFE OF 28 YEARS, LOU, LIVED IN
6 ARTESIA. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE FREEDOM COMMITTEE OF
7 ORANGE COUNTY, AND TOOK TIME TO GIVE HISTORY LECTURES TO
8 VARIOUS HIGH SCHOOLS. ONE OF HIS PASSIONS WAS PHOTOGRAPHY,
9 WHICH HE LEARNED AT A YOUNG AGE FROM HIS FATHER. HE WAS A
10 DOWN-TO-EARTH, CARING, AND LOVING MAN. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
11 WIFE LOU, FOUR SONS, TWO DAUGHTERS, AND 12 GRANDCHILDREN. I'D
12 ALSO LIKE US TO-- THIS IS MY LAST ONE-- ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
13 OF DR. MICHAEL ZARESKI, WHO WAS THE OWNER AND CLINICAL
14 DIRECTOR OF WESTERN VETERINARIAN GROUP, AND WAS KNOWN
15 AFFECTIONATELY AS DR. MIKE. HE FORMED A FOUNDATION TO HELP
16 HOMELESS CATS, AND WAS ACTIVE WITH MANY LOCAL RESCUE GROUPS.
17 DR. MIKE PERSONIFIED EVERYTHING A VETERINARIAN SHOULD BE:
18 KIND, LOVING, COMPASSIONATE. HE HAD A HEART THAT NEVER STOPPED
19 GIVING, AND WAS KNOWN TO EXTEND HIS HELP TO THOSE WHO DIDN'T
20 EVEN KNOW THEY NEEDED HELP. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SHANNA;
21 HIS FOUR CHILDREN, DANNY, HANNAH, CHRIS, AND DREW; AND HIS
22 PARENTS, SUSAN AND NORMAN. HIS ABSENCE LEAVES A DEEP VOID IN
23 MANY LIVES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
24
25 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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2 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
3 DO SO IN MEMORY OF FRANK ANDREWS. FRANK WAS FORMER DIRECTOR OF
4 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL AND CARE CONTROL,
5 AND HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. FRANK LED THE DEPARTMENT
6 FOR 12 YEARS, FROM 1989 TO 2001, BEFORE RETIRING TO LEAD A
7 HUMANE SOCIETY IN FLORIDA. HE HAD A LONG CAREER IN ANIMAL
8 WELFARE, SERVING MANY AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS AROUND THE
9 COUNTRY. FRANK IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, SYBIL. ALSO, MILTON
10 CHORTKOFF, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF BURBANK, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
11 THE AGE OF 88. MILT WAS WELL KNOWN IN THE COMMUNITY FOR
12 STARTING MILT & EDIE'S DRYCLEANERS, A LOCAL BUSINESS HE OPENED
13 OVER 70 YEARS AGO. HE WAS EVEN RECOGNIZED BY THE DRY CLEANING
14 AND LAUNDRY INSTITUTE WITH THE DIAMOND ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. MILT
15 WILL ALSO BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS GENEROSITY AND HIS SUPPORT OF
16 LOCAL COMMUNITIES, SCHOOLS, THE ARTS, AND PETS. HE'S SURVIVED
17 BY HIS WIFE EDITH, DAUGHTER BETH, SON BEN, AND MANY
18 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, BOBBIE TRUEBLOOD DAVIS, A LONGTIME
19 RESIDENT OF NEWHALL, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93 AT HER
20 HOME IN MORRO BAY. SHE WAS WELL KNOWN IN THE SANTA CLARITA
21 VALLEY FOR HER GENEROUS PHILANTHROPIC WORK AND CIVIC SERVICE,
22 FROM THE LATE 1940S THROUGH 1990S. SHE WAS ALSO WELL KNOWN FOR
23 HER SOCIETY COLUMN THAT SHE WROTE FOR THE NEWHALL SIGNAL. SHE
24 PROUDLY SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE NEWHALL-SAUGUS BOYS CLUB,
25 AND SHE SERVED AS A DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS FOR HENRY

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1 MAYO NEWHALL HOSPITAL IN 1971, DURING ITS CONSTRUCTION. SHE
2 WAS NAMED WOMAN OF THE YEAR IN 1972 BY THE NEWHALL-SAUGUS-
3 VALENCIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND SHE PARTICIPATED IN 50
4 FOURTH OF JULY PARADES IN NEWHALL, SERVING AS CO-GRAND MARSHAL
5 IN 1995. BORN IN ENGLAND IN 1924, AS AILEEN NASH, SHE MARRIED
6 A NEWHALL RESIDENT, FRED TRUEBLOOD, JR., FOLLOWING WORLD WAR
7 II. HER SECOND HUSBAND WAS THE LATE CALIFORNIA SENATOR ED
8 DAVIS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN AND HER BROTHER.
9 ALSO, STEPHEN LIGHTFOOT, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, WHO
10 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74. AFTER FINISHING HIGH SCHOOL,
11 STEPHEN WENT DIRECTLY TO THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS AN AIRLINE
12 ENGINE MECHANIC, STATIONED AT HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE ON OAHU.
13 HE THEN RETURNED TO PASADENA AND BEGAN A CAREER WORKING WITH
14 THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EQUALIZATION, AND EVENTUALLY WENT ON
15 TO EARN A LAW DEGREE FROM THE GLENDALE COLLEGE OF LAW. STEPHEN
16 FOUNDED A PASADENA-BASED LAW FIRM, KNOWN TODAY AS LIGHTFOOT &
17 NORTHUP. STEPHEN IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE KATHLEEN, THEIR
18 CHILDREN STEPHEN, SCOTT, AND KELLI, AND HIS BROTHER JON. ALSO,
19 ROBERT NEWHOFF, A RESIDENT OF BURBANK, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
20 AGE OF 78. BOB WORKED AROUND CALIFORNIA AND THE WORLD FOR
21 VARIOUS AEROSPACE COMPANIES, INCLUDING N.A.S.A. HE ALSO SERVED
22 AS A HIGH-SCHOOL MATH TEACHER FOR MANY YEARS, AND WAS A
23 VOLUNTEER POLICEMAN IN THE CITY OF BURBANK AND IN ORANGE
24 COUNTY. BOB WAS ALSO APPOINTED COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY OF
25 BURBANK FOR MANY YEARS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, BROOKE

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1 AND AARON. AND LAST, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF-- OH,
2 I'M SORRY, IT'S NOT THE LAST-- OF STERLING NORRIS, A RESIDENT
3 OF NORTHRIDGE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. HE SERVED IN
4 THE MARINE CORPS FOR FOUR YEARS AS A LANCE CORPORAL. AFTER
5 GRADUATING FROM U.C.L.A. LAW SCHOOL, STERLING SERVED THE
6 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR 33 YEARS AS A PROSECUTOR IN THE
7 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WHERE HE WORKED ON SEVERAL HIGH-
8 PROFILE MURDER CASES. HE WAS A PASSIONATE ADVOCATE FOR
9 VICTIMS' RIGHTS, AND LOVED WORKING AS A PROSECUTOR. THE L.A.
10 TIMES ENDORSED HIM IN HIS CAMPAIGN FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN
11 1992, AND HIGHLIGHTED HIS COMMITMENT TO AGGRESSIVE BUT ETHICAL
12 PROSECUTION. AFTER RETIRING FROM THE D.A.'S OFFICE, HE WORKED
13 FOR JUDICIAL WATCH FOR 17 YEARS. STERLING IS SURVIVED BY HIS
14 WIFE YOLANDA, HIS FOUR DAUGHTERS, REBECCA, RACHEL, JENNIFER,
15 AND ASHLEY, AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST,
16 HARMON DANNY WATTERS, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE FIFTH
17 DISTRICT, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 73. HE PROUDLY SERVED
18 IN THE U.S. NATIONAL GUARD IN THE MILITARY POLICE UNIT DURING
19 THE VIETNAM WAR. HE THEN WENT ON TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL CAREER
20 AS A DETECTIVE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
21 DEPARTMENT, FROM WHICH HE RETIRED AFTER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE.
22 DANNY IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, THEIR CHILDREN, AND HIS SISTER.
23 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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25 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. TODAY I MOVE THAT WE

3 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. PHILIP PUMERANTZ. DR. PHILIP

4 PUMERANTZ WAS BORN ON NOVEMBER 3, 1932, AND PASSED AWAY ON

5 DECEMBER 26, 2017, AT THE AGE OF 85. HE STUDIED AT THE

6 UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, AND RECEIVED HIS PH.D. IN EDUCATION

7 ADMINISTRATION. IN CONNECTICUT, HE BECAME HOUSE PRINCIPAL AT

8 HOLLANDSON JUNIOR HIGH, AND LATER BECAME A FACULTY MEMBER OF

9 THE UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT. LATER IN HIS CAREER, HE BECAME

10 DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION FOR THE AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

11 IN CHICAGO. IN 1977, DR. PUMERANTZ JOINED A SMALL CADRE OF

12 OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS, AND RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY,

13 WHERE HE HELPED TO FOUND THE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

14 OF THE PACIFIC, IN THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA. EVENTUALLY,

15 THE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE OF THE PACIFIC BECAME WHAT

16 IS KNOWN TODAY AS WESTERN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES. DR.

17 PUMERANTZ IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 57 YEARS, HARRIET KRINSKY

18 PUMERANTZ; HIS THREE CHILDREN, ANDREW, BETH, AND RICHARD; AND

19 FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, ZACHARY, ALEXANDER, CLARICE, SHENEE, ZOE,

20 AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL

21 DEARLY MISS HIM. AND LASTLY, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY

22 OF VAL BASSETT. VALENTINA "VAL" BASSETT PASSED AWAY ON

23 DECEMBER 21, 2017. SHE WAS 96 YEARS OLD. SHE AND HER HUSBAND

24 CARL HAD MOVED TO COMMERCE AREA IN 1947, WHERE SHE LIVED FOR

25 70 YEARS. VAL WAS ONE OF 13 ORIGINAL MEMBERS OF THE CITIZENS

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1 COMMITTEE FOR INCORPORATION. IN JANUARY OF 1960, THEY
2 ACCOMPLISHED THEIR GOAL, AND THE CITY OF COMMERCE OFFICIALLY
3 BECAME AN INCORPORATED CITY. OVER THE NEXT 50 YEARS, VAL
4 BECAME AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE COMMUNITY. AMONG THE MANY
5 THINGS SHE VOLUNTEERED HER TIME WAS TO HELP ESTABLISH THE
6 COMMERCE BUS SYSTEM, ESTABLISH THE FIRST BROWNIE AND GIRL
7 SCOUT TROOPS, AND WAS A MEMBER OF SEVERAL ELECTION BOARDS. SHE
8 MANAGED TO DO ALL THAT WHILE WORKING FULL-TIME AND RAISING TWO
9 CHILDREN. IN 1996, VAL WAS RECOGNIZED AS THE LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR. VAL LED A WONDERFUL AND FULL
11 LIFE, AND HER LOSS IS FELT THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. SHE'S
12 SURVIVED BY HER PARTNER OF 33 YEARS, JOE AGUILAR, HER DAUGHTER
13 ANELLE, WHO SOME OF US MAY REMEMBER, AND SON CARL RALPH
14 BASSETT, HER GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND GREAT-
15 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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17 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, I'D ASK YOU
20 JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF THE REVEREND DR. JAMES
21 HESTER HARGETT, BORN JULY 24TH, 1930, IN GREENSBORO, NORTH
22 CAROLINA, AND HE PASSED ON JANUARY 1, HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AT
23 THE AGE OF 87. REVEREND HARGETT RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE
24 FROM JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA;
25 HIS MASTER'S OF DIVINITY DEGREE FROM YALE; AND A DOCTORATE OF

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1 MINISTRY FROM WHAT WAS THEN KNOWN AS THE COLGATE ROCHESTER
2 DIVINITY SCHOOL. IT WAS FROM 1955 TO 1958 THAT REVEREND
3 HARGETT WAS THE ASSOCIATE MINISTER OF THE CHURCH OF THE
4 CROSSROADS IN HONOLULU, AND SERVED AS THE CHAPLAIN OF THE
5 PRISON THERE. AND THEN IN 1958, HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES,
6 WHERE HE BECAME THE MINISTER OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF
7 CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, AND WAS A KEY PARTICIPANT IN THE CIVIL
8 RIGHTS MOVEMENT, AS IT PRESENTED ITSELF AT THAT TIME. IT WAS
9 IN THE 60S THAT PASTOR HARGETT WAS THEN THE WEST COAST
10 CONVENER FOR THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, AND
11 ALSO ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE SICKLE CELL ANEMIA
12 FOUNDATION, AND THE BLACK WOMEN'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
13 FOUNDATION, THE URBAN LEAGUE, AND WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE
14 CENTRAL CITY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC. MANY OF US
15 REMEMBER THOSE ORGANIZATIONS, AND MORE. AND SO REVEREND
16 HARGETT WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND HIS
17 COMMITMENT TO THE NATIONAL EFFORT TO BRING ABOUT CIVIL RIGHTS
18 AND EQUALITY FOR ALL, AND FOR HIS COMPASSION FOR THOSE IN
19 NEED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, HIS CHILDREN, HIS
20 GRANDCHILDREN, AND AN EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO OWE HIM
21 A TREMENDOUS DEBT. AND I OFFER THIS ADJOURNING MOTION IN
22 COLLABORATION WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL, THE
23 CHAIR, WISHES TO JOIN, AS WELL, FOR DR. JAMES HESTER HARGETT.
24 WITH YOUR PERMISSION, MADAM CHAIR, I'LL ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
25 MEMORY OF JOYCE POWELL, BORN OCTOBER 21, 1923, IN SAINT PAUL,

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1 MINNESOTA, AND PASSED ON DECEMBER 21, HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AT
2 THE AGE OF 94. IT WAS IN 1942 THAT SHE MARRIED ARTHUR POWELL,
3 SR., AND WITH HER SIX CHILDREN, THEY RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES,
4 AND THE YEAR WAS THEN 1948. JOYCE WAS A GREAT COOK, KNOWN FOR
5 HER DIRTY RICE AND BANANA PUDDING, AND WAS ALSO A SKILLED
6 SEAMSTRESS, NOT ONLY MAKING CLOTHES FOR HER DAUGHTERS, BUT AS
7 A VOCATION, AS WELL. SHE LOVED SUSPENSE NOVELS, AND WAS AN
8 AVID READER. SHE ALSO ENJOYED WATCHING COMPETITIVE SPORTS,
9 ROOTING FOR HER FAVORITE TEAMS, THE GREEN BAY PACKERS AND THE
10 LOS ANGELES LAKERS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, TYRELL,
11 ARTHUR, GEORGE, WILLETTA, AND THE COUNTY'S DIRECTOR OF THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, SHERYL SPILLER, HER
13 SISTER BETTY, AND EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL
14 SURELY MISS HER DEARLY. JOYCE POWELL. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.
15 ALL MEMBERS, IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS ONE OF OUR
16 DEPARTMENT HEAD'S MOTHER. AND THEN, FINALLY, MR. CLIFF WAYNE
17 WINSTON, BORN ON OCTOBER THE 19TH IN 1954, AND PASSED AT THE
18 AGE OF 63, HERE IN LOS ANGELES. CLIFF RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S
19 DEGREE IN COMMUNICATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IN
20 SEATTLE, AND IT WAS IN SEATTLE THAT HE FIRST CAUGHT THE RADIO
21 BUG. HE HELD ON-AIR POSITIONS IN SEATTLE, ST. LOUIS, CHICAGO,
22 DETROIT, AND IN HOUSTON. AND THEN, IN 1955, HE BEGAN HIS FIRST
23 TOUR AT RADIO STATION K.J.L.H. THAT STANDS FOR KINDNESS, JOY,
24 LOVE, AND HAPPINESS. AND THEN IT WAS IN 1988, DURING HIS
25 TENURE, THE STATION RECEIVED THE HIGHEST RATINGS IT HAD EVER

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1 RECEIVED, TO DATE. HE SPENT THREE YEARS AT K.K.B.T., THE BEAT,
2 92.3, AND THEN HE RETURNED TO K.J.L.H. IN 1993, AS THE MORNING
3 MAN, AND LATER WAS ELEVATED TO PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR THE
4 STATION. MR. WINSTON IS SURVIVED BY HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS,
5 AND MANY FANS WHO'LL MISS HIM DEARLY. HE IS INDEED BELOVED.
6 THE ONE AND ONLY CLIFF WINSTON. MADAM CHAIR, THAT CONCLUDES MY
7 ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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9 **SUP. KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FOR THE THIRD
10 DISTRICT, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
11 MEMORY OF MARCH FONG EU, FORMER CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF STATE,
12 GROUNDBREAKING ASIAN-AMERICAN POLITICIAN, WHO DIED ON DECEMBER
13 21ST. AND ALL MEMBERS HAVE ASKED TO JOIN. SHE SERVED FOUR
14 TERMS IN THE STATE ASSEMBLY, AND THEN SHE WAS ELECTED THE
15 FIRST WOMAN SECRETARY OF STATE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA;
16 ELECTED IN 1974, AND HELD THAT OFFICE FOR 20 YEARS. SHE WAS
17 ALSO THE FIRST CHINESE AMERICAN TO HOLD A CONSTITUTIONAL
18 OFFICE IN THE STATE. DURING HER TENURE, SHE IMPLEMENTED VOTER
19 REGISTRATION BY MAIL, AT-LARGE ABSENTEE BALLOTING, THE
20 INCLUSION OF CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS IN BALLOT PAMPHLETS. IN
21 1994, PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON NAMED HER AMBASSADOR TO THE
22 FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, IN THE PACIFIC. I DON'T HAVE
23 ANY SURVIVOR INFORMATION, BUT WE'LL GET SOME, BECAUSE WE WANT
24 HER SURVIVORS TO KNOW. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
25 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STEVE ROBBINS, WHO DIED ON DECEMBER

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1 27TH. HE WAS 68. TEACHER IN L.A. UNIFIED. TAUGHT AT HOBART
2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR ABOUT 30 YEARS. HAD A BLACK BELT IN
3 KARATE, AND WAS ACTIVE IN HIS GLENDALE COMMUNITY. HOSTED MANY
4 NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH POTLUCKS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 31
5 YEARS, DELIA, HIS SON JOSH, AND HIS THREE SIBLINGS, DEBORAH,
6 BRUCE, AND RICK. HE'S ALSO SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, MIMI
7 ROBBINS, WHO I THINK MANY OF US KNOW THROUGH SOME OF OUR PARTY
8 ACTIVITIES. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
9 IN MEMORY OF HOWARD PHILLIPS, WHO RETIRED FROM COUNTY SERVICE
10 IN 2007, AFTER MORE THAN 40 YEARS. HE WAS PRINCIPAL ANALYST
11 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN
12 LEADING THE COUNTY'S DIVERSITY TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR D.H.R.,
13 IN ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LORENDA,
14 HIS SON JASON, AND HIS DAUGHTER RORY. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
15 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KEVIN SHORT. KEVIN
16 SHORT, ALSO KNOWN AS KEVIN LEE LIGHT, WAS REALLY BEST KNOWN AS
17 THE WEST HOLLYWOOD JESUS. HE DIED ON DECEMBER 13TH. FOR A
18 DECADE, HE WALKED THE STREETS OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DRESSED AS
19 JESUS CHRIST, OFTEN ATTENDING L.G.B.T.Q. EVENTS, AND BRINGING
20 THE SYMBOLIC SUPPORT OF CHRISTIANITY TO THE FIGHT FOR EQUALITY
21 AND DIGNITY FOR L.G.B.T.Q. PEOPLES. I REMEMBER HIM VERY WELL.
22 WE WOULD HAVE PARADES, AND THERE WOULD ALWAYS BE A LITTLE
23 CLUMP OF PEOPLE CALLING US SINNERS, AND SAYING THAT WE SHOULD
24 ALL DIE AND GO TO HELL, AND HE WOULD STAND THERE. HE LOOKED
25 JUST LIKE SOME OF THE IMAGES OF JESUS, AND HE WOULD BE

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1 ADMONISHING THEM QUIETLY NOT TO BE SO HATEFUL, NOT TO BE SO
2 HATEFUL. HE WAS QUITE AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN, AND REALLY
3 IDENTIFIED WITH THIS CHARACTER, AND WAS A CALMING INFLUENCE IN
4 AN AWFUL LOT OF SITUATIONS. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
5 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROSE MARIE MAZETTA, BEST KNOWN
6 FOR HER ROLE ON "THE DICK VAN DYKE SHOW." WE ALL KNEW HER AS
7 ROSE MARIE. SHE WAS A RARITY FOR THE PERIOD, A COMEDY WRITER
8 IN THE WORLD OF MEN. SHE WAS NOMINATED FOR THREE EMMY AWARDS
9 FOR HER WORK ON THE SHOW, AND WORKED THROUGHOUT HER LIFE,
10 APPEARING ON "THE DORIS DAY SHOW," "LOVE BOAT," "CAGNEY &
11 LACEY," "MURPHY BROWN," "WINGS," "SUDDENLY SUSAN," AND MANY
12 OTHER SHOWS, EARNING A REPUTATION AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT
13 FEMALE COMIC VOICES IN THE COUNTRY. HER CAREER BEGAN AT THE
14 AGE OF THREE, AFTER SHE WON A TALENT CONTEST, AND BY THE AGE
15 OF FOUR, SHE WAS STARRING IN HER OWN NATIONAL RADIO SHOW.
16 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, GEORGIANA GUY. I HAVE A NUMBER
17 OF OTHER ADJOURNMENTS. I'LL JUST MENTION THEIR NAMES AND TURN
18 THEM IN, IN CASE ANYONE WANTS TO KNOW: JAN BAUM; GARY CANTOR;
19 ZOLTAN REMENY; LEE KAPELOVITZ; JOHN HORTON; JERRY VAN DYKE,
20 WHO I THINK WE KNEW AS DICK'S BROTHER, BUT A STAR IN HIS OWN
21 RIGHT; WILLIAM GRAHAM; BETINA BARKER CASTAGNA; AND ALVIN
22 MILLER, M.D. THOSE CONCLUDE ALL OF THE ADJOURNMENTS. WE'LL
23 TAKE THEM IN ONE MOTION, TO APPROVE ADJOURNING IN THE MEMORY
24 OF ALL THESE PEOPLE, WITH A UNIFIED VOTE. ALL RIGHT. THAT ENDS
25 OUR AGENDA FOR THE DAY. PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
3 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
5 CS-1, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR
6 APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF PUBLIC DEFENDER; ITEM CS-2,
7 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES
8 FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH
9 AGENCY; ITEM CS-3, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS;
10 AND ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI A.
11 HAMAI AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.
12 PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
13 OF SUPERVISORS IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 16TH, 2018,
14 AT 1:00.

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5 CS-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

6 (Government Code Section 54957)

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8 Consideration of candidate(s) for appointment to the position of
9 Public Defender. (17-1836)

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11 **No reportable action was taken.**

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14 CS-2 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

15 (Government Code Section 54957)

16
17 Interview and consideration of candidate(s) for appointment to
18 the position of Director of the Health Agency. (18-0169)

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20 **The Board appointed a final candidate to the position of**
21 **Interim Director of the Health Agency. The vote of the**
22 **Board was unanimous with all Supervisors present.**

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25 CS-3 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

26 (Government Code Section 54957)

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28 Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)

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30 **No reportable action was taken.**

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33 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

34 (Government Code Section 54957.6)

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36 Agency designated representatives: Sachi A. Hamai, Chief
37 Executive Officer and designated staff

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Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: The Coalition of County Unions, AFL-CIO; Local 721, SEIU, Union of American Physicians and Dentists; Peace Officers Counsel of California; Association of Public Defender Investigators; Association of Deputy District Attorneys; Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health Specialists, Professional Peace Officers Association; and

Unrepresented employees (all). (17-0363)

No reportable action was taken.

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors January 9, 2018,
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16 18th day of January 2018, for the County records to be used
17 only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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